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Cottage Dreams Invites Haliburton Residents and Visitors To Attend A Free Outdoor Movie Night Featuring Happy Feet

Cottage Dreams Cancer Recovery Initiative, a local charity that matches cottage owners who share their cottages with recent cancer survivors, will host its 2nd annual Stars Under the Stars outdoor movie night on the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School football field on Sunday, August 5. The fun begins at 7:00pm.

The free community event, offers residents and visitors of all ages the opportunity to enjoy a movie under the stars and will feature the Academy Award-winning animated movie *Happy Feet*. The event begins at 7:00pm and includes a supervised kids play area, a silent auction and karaoke prior to the dusk screening. Families are encouraged to bring their blankets and lawn chairs and enjoy an evening of free entertainment under the stars.

The Cottage Dreams concept is simple: connect cottage-owners with recent cancer survivors to offer them time away from the stresses of everyday life to reconnect in a natural setting. Cancer takes a toll on the entire family. Following a battle with cancer, survivors and their families must rebuild their lives, physically and emotionally. Yet, many people don't



have the financial means to get away from the pressures of everyday life and create new, positive memories for their family. Cottage Dreams provides that, free-of-charge, to Ontario residents of all ages and types of cancer.

"This community has been incredibly supportive of Cottage Dreams, helping us share the benefit of time away at the cottage with cancer survivors and their families," says Seana O'Neill, Founder and President of Cottage Dreams. "We couldn't offer our program without the generosity of people who lend their cottages, their time and their financial support. This event is our way of saying thank you."

Cottage Dreams receives no outside funding and relies on the generosity of sponsors and donors to provide its program free-of-charge to Ontario residents that have recently undergone a battle with cancer. As part of the movie night, a silent auction featuring a unique auction items will help raise funds for Cottage Dreams.

About Cottage Dreams

Cottage Dreams is a registered charity that offers recent cancer survivors time away at a donated, private cottage to recover, reconnect and rebuild their lives in a natural setting. The year-round program is available free-of-charge to Ontario residents of all ages and types of cancer. Cottage owners are eligible for a tax receipt for the one week cottage donation and a thorough screening and placement program ensures peace of mind. For more information, please visit www.cottagedreams.org or contact: Seana O'Neill, Founder and President, 457-9100

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Down on the Farm is the theme for this year's exciting annual Flower Show – now in it's 28th year. The event is being held at the Minden Community Centre on Friday July 27th from 7 – 9 p.m. and on Saturday July 28th from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. The opening ceremony is being held on the Friday evening at 7:15 p.m.

New this year is the addition of the Market Place featuring 5 vendors. There is also tons of door prizes and tons of fun. Admission is only \$5 (including refreshments). Children under 12 are free.



Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Dinner Auction

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton with the assistance of Water Depot as presenting sponsor is announcing their 5th

Annual Dinner Auction for Wednesday August 22, 2007 at the Victoria Park Armoury. The event plays an important role in Big Brothers Big Sisters' ability to continue offering Mentoring programs to the children of our community. Mentoring programs offer adult volunteers the opportunity to spend one to one time with a child. The activities they share can include hiking, biking, water sports, cooking, reading, movies, photography and other exciting new experiences. The focus of the program is to improve a child's self-esteem and personal confidence, which will help children reach their full potential. This year's event is hoping to draw close to 300 individuals who are passionate about the future of their community.

This is a great opportunity for employers to reward their staff for their dedication by purchasing a table to the event. It's a great team building night, while assisting a good cause.

By attending the event, you will enjoy the various raffles, draws, door prizes; silent auction and live auction all run through the direction of Kevin Barker Auctioneer. Julie Corlett and Mel Hannah of BOB FM are the Special M/C's and will keep you informed throughout the festivities.

Via Rail is once again providing a Comfort Economy package for four people that will take you anywhere between the Quebec/Windsor corridor. This great prize can be won through the purchase of tickets for our Big/Little Raffle Draw. Other items include a One Nights Stay at The Fairmont Royal York Hotel, appliances from Sears in Minden, accommodation packages, clothing, golf packages, art, gift baskets and many other items donated by local merchants.

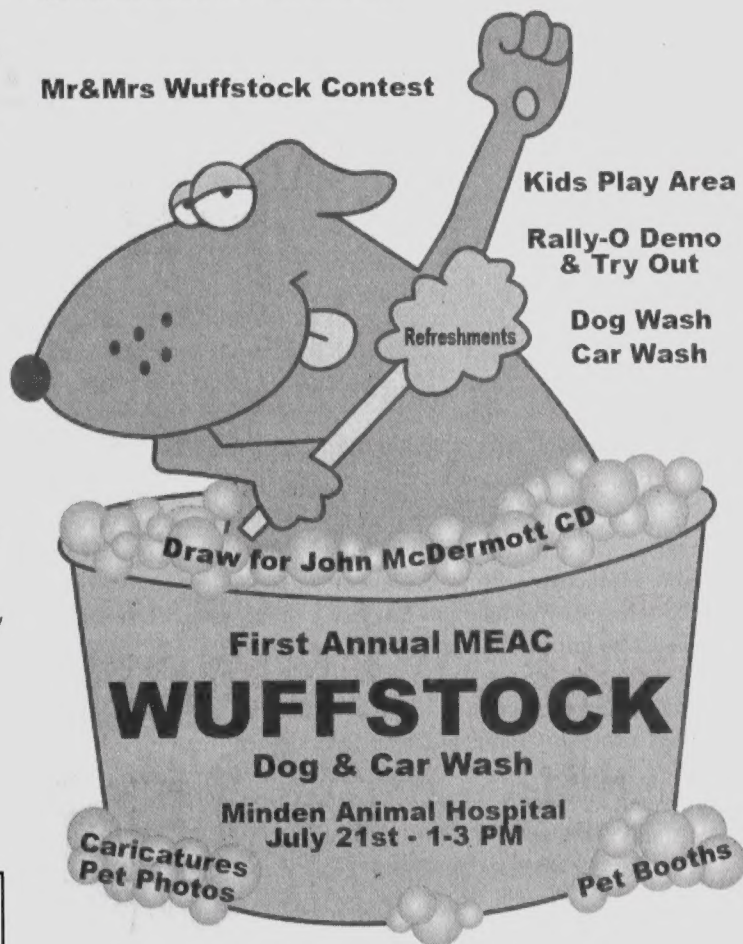
Golf is a game in which the slowest people in the world are those in front of you, and the fastest are those behind.

Wholesome Foods will be serving up an amazing buffet dinner to make the evening complete.

To purchase tickets call Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton at 324-6800 in Lindsay. Tickets are \$30 each or a table of 8 for only \$210. Advance Ticket Sales Only!

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Haliburton Crane Rental

Spotlight

On Business

by George Farrell

Concrete Pumping, Cranes And Boom Trucks Up To 80 Tons

Every once in awhile I get to write about people and businesses that I have first hand knowledge of. My first experience with Haliburton Crane Rental occurred several years ago when I was video taping for the Haliburton promotional video Haliburton a Natural Work of Art. I was up high on the construction site of the new addition to Sunny Rock Lodge. A large crane had been hired to raise some of the huge wooden beams into place, and I marveled at the dexterity of the crane and the skill of the operator, as the huge beams were lifted aloft. The extended crane arm swung the beam over the partially built structure, and then carefully lowered it to its final resting place..

The next occasion I had to see Haliburton Crane Rental in operation was during another video taping session-this one in the Sculpture Forest. I had been asked to record the moving of a massive granite sculpture from where it had been carved, off Industrial Road in Haliburton, to its final resting place in the forest. It was an awkward move in many ways, and once again I was impressed by the apparent ease with which the job was completed. As part of my assignment I interviewed Peter Cawker, the crane operator, and discovered him to be an interesting and informative subject for the interview.

In the spring of this year I had another occasion to be on site with Peter, as two big cranes were needed to turn over a 60 foot steel-hull of a boat that David Treharne is in the process of building. David had constructed the hull in the upside down position because it was easier to lay on the steel panels in that position, but

he needed the hull righted to continue with the rest of the boat. The turning over of the boat was done with the assistance of a heavy duty sling which was passed under the boat. Each side of the sling was attached to separate cranes, and by carefully raising one side of the sling and lowering the other, the boat, which weighs about 25 tons, was gently rolled the right way up, and softly put back on its dry-land moorings. Once again I was suitably impressed.



Cranes and Concrete Pumps

I had seen Peter at work, and now it was time to find out a bit more about him and Haliburton Crane Rentals. It turns out that the interview was with both Peter Cawker and sister Mary Cawker Nelson, who has recently joined the business. The family is originally from Fenelon Falls, where Peter and Mary received their schooling. Peter moved to Haliburton in the mid 1980's. Father John Cawker had already established Haliburton Ready-mix, which he sold to the Levesque Brothers in 2006. John and his brother William were already crane operators when John owned Haliburton Ready-mix, and the first crane was bought by the Cawker family in the late 1980's. "They saw a gap in the industry," says Peter Cawker. "There were no cranes up here so they went out and bought one. The crane business took off and expanded from 1 crane to 4, plus a concrete pump, for the trucks."

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A concrete pump works in conjunction with cement trucks to get the cement from the trucks to hard-to-reach, and difficult locations where trucks don't have access. Peter explains that although they no longer have concrete trucks themselves, they use the concrete pump to assist contractors like Levesque and Kernohan Construction, when their trucks can't get close enough to the required location to deliver the concrete. The concrete pump moves concrete, carried in the trucks, to where it's needed. In such situations "were just another hired gun," exclaims Peter.

Some of the other applications for the crane service are; the erection of trusses, moving modular homes from the trailer to the foundations, erecting wind generators such as those on Lake

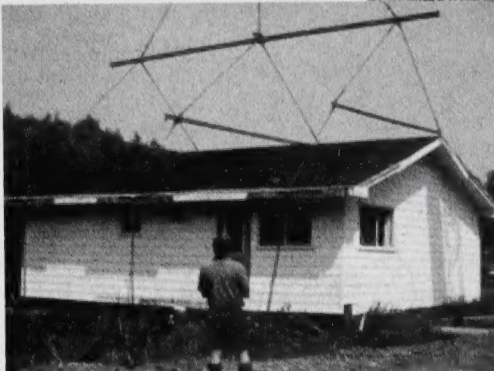
Kawagama, helping to erect communication towers, and placing beams for bridge building. Peter went on to explain that since his dad John Cawker sold Haliburton Ready-mix he has slowly started to take the reigns of the company. "It's a real good change for Dad, he says. "He was starting to get worn out, so now he has more time for golfing and boating. He still comes in 2 or 3 days a week though, and he still does a bit of everything. He won't slow down, and he's still a full functioning partner on the business end of it. He still operates a crane and a boom truck. He's our back up guy." John originally operated out of a location on Industrial "Rd, "but since the sale everything is in the one location on the Gelert Rd," say Peter. The Gelert Rd location houses both the Haliburton Crane Rental and Environmental Concrete Systems Inc.)

Environmental Concrete Systems Inc (ECS)

ECS specializes in pre-cast standard and customized concrete products, such as construction piers, deck piers, retaining walls, and concrete stairs. The Gelert Rd location also specializes in structural steel sales, custom welding and fabrication as well as mobile welding. "We also do mesh and rebar," says Peter. "We're a smaller outfit than say Brooklyn Concrete-we don't really compete. We specialize in custom, and personal landscaping and retaining walls. "We might be required to deliver pre cast blocks to a site where a landscaper will take over the assembly, and some of our work is as a subcontract from landscapers. Some of our work is also dealing directly with the public. Many of our customers want us to deliver, at which time we will use our boom trucks to unload." When queried as to where he gets the concrete, Peter is quick to inform me that they make their own.

Some Low Down On Peter Cawker and Mary Cawker Nelson

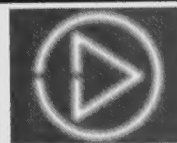
Peter married Jody Stone 3 years ago and has subsequently moved the family to Bobcaygeon, because Jody works for Community Living in Peterborough, and Bobcaygeon is equidistant from Peter



and Jody's workplaces. They have a young daughter Chloe, who is just 18 months old. "Dad's semi retired now, so sister Mary came on board last year to basically take up the slack and learn the business, even though she had a pretty good idea. Because we grew up with the business it wasn't much of a change over," says Peter.

Mary was previously in automotive sales in Lindsay. Her husband Brad is a real estate broker in Bobcaygeon. They have 2 girls Mary Elizabeth 15, who is in high school in Lindsay, and Heather who's in grade 7, and attends public school in Bobcaygeon. Like Peter and Jody, Mary and Brad commute daily to work. "It was an easy transition for me," says Mary. "It still involves wheeling and dealing. We grew up dealing with the Ready-mix and you never lose that," (dealing with the public). "I went back to college, this January and February, to learn craning" Mary continues, "and now I'm an apprentice crane operator. I can go and oper-

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ate a crane if I need to, but it also gives me a full understanding of what's required when talking to customers," she enthuses. "There's a lot more to it than meets the eye, so now Mary is coming from a base of knowledge," adds Peter. "Now the phone conversation is the

most important transaction."

"The biggest surprise for me on a personal level was going back to college with 20 year old men and operating these very large cranes. It was mentally and physically taxing," Mary says. "But I did it and I'm kinda proud of myself. Being able to talk to people knowledgeably is so important. Sometimes people think they need a big crane and you can send them a boom truck, or vice versa."

Since the sale of Redi-mix Peter and Mary plan are devoting more time to expanding the pre cast end of their business. For a look at the pre cast product line visit the



Environment Concrete Systems at 5542 Gelert Rd (formerly County Rd 1). If you need to look into crane rentals go and see Peter or Mary at Haliburton Crane Rentals at the same address. You can get in touch with both outfits by calling (705) 457-9658. The toll free number is 1-800-663-2405. You can send a fax to (705) 457-9093, or email haliburtoncrane@belnet.ca.

Pictured: Peter Cawker and Mary Cawker Nelson in front of 22 foot boom truck. Various shots of the crane in operation. Pre cast concrete block retaining wall samples.

Prayers for the Earth

Join Others At Haliburton Hospital Labyrinth

Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate your connection with the earth Wednesday evenings between 7 and 8 p.m. at the Haliburton Hospital Labyrinth. There is no cost to attend. You'll drum and walk the labyrinth with Lynda Shadbolt (Haliburton Yoga) and John and Dianna of Earth Tones.

This event began on July 4 and runs to August 8th. Some nights will have a theme. This is a family event and kids are encouraged to come and join in. The event will be cancelled if it is pouring, but will go at all other times.

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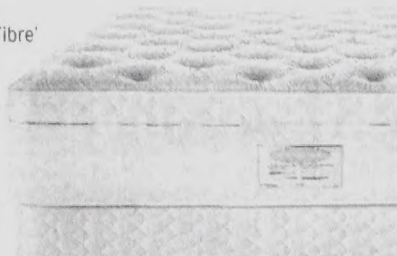
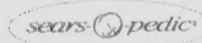
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5th Annual Stanhope Heritage Day

Saturday, July 21



Heritage Day is a funky, small town festival featuring a wide range of activities and displays. The day is held outdoors under a series of tents, and highlights historic trades and crafts, so visitors can see local folks demonstrate things like blacksmithing, pottery, rush weaving, chair caning, looming, basketry, tatting, bobbin lace making, bookbinding, carving, tinsmithing, spinning, weaving and rug hooking. You can even try some yourself!

Enjoy the bake sale, BBQ lunch, and pick up a jar of the museum's famous Citron

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This year, the well-known and much-loved songwriter/composer/playwright/performer **David Archibald** will be performing throughout the day. Bring a lawn chair (and a hat) and laugh, clap, shout and sing along with David's hilarious and educational songs. If you haven't seen David in action, don't miss this opportunity.

The Muskoka Wildlife Centre is LIVE! at 11am so take the kids to see this year's fascinating creatures and maybe they'll be the lucky ones chosen to hold an owl or a skunk. No dogs around the animals, please! There are Kid's Games all day, too.

There are terrific displays at Heritage Day, including the Haliburton Model Railroaders, lot of beautiful quilts, local authors and their history books, Art in the Street, the always-intriguing antique "What Is It?" and new this year: Joe Smith's incredible antique cameras. And of course, Betty the Washer Woman will happily show you her granny's drawers ...

See Haliburton Gold - the county's 10,000 year old fish species, check out the Heritage Gardens, and visit with folks from Trails and Tours and Haliburton Water Trails.

This year, Heritage Day was chosen as one of the locations for CANOE FM's Highlands Radio Almanac. Join the audience from 10 am til 12 noon and **see live radio being made** with music, interviews and special features. Maybe you'll be interviewed on live radio.

Heritage Day is held at the museum grounds beside the township offices on North Shore Rd. It runs from 9 am to 2 pm - with plenty of afternoon left to get to the beach! It's outdoors, so dress appropriately, bring a hat, sunscreen and water - but please leave Fido at home where it's cooler. Admission is only \$2 and a great PDF poster is available online at stanhopemuseum.on.ca. For more info, call Betty at 489-3021.



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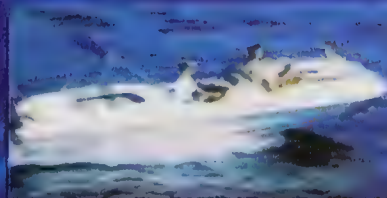
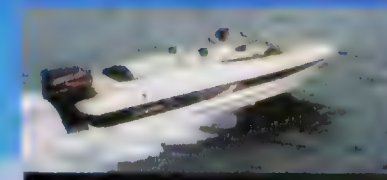


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The Minden Merchants Revitalization Committee

Open House Aims To Solidify Merchants

On Wednesday July the 18th there was an Open House at the Community Centre in Minden, which was hosted by the Minden Merchants Revitalization Committee (MMRC). This committee has dedicated itself over the past year to exploring all avenues in an effort to revitalize the downtown core. By means of immediate action, and by medium and long range goals, the committee hopes to form a Minden merchants organization that will work towards making Minden a better place to live, work and shop.

What has Been Done

In a survey of local businesses conducted last year, and in subsequent meetings of interested parties, it was determined that the majority of Minden area business owners and operators would support a merchant organization that could act on their behalf. In response to questions on that survey it was determined that the main initial thrust in the revitalization of Minden was to clean up and beautify the downtown area. To that end the committee facilitated a "Get Proud" campaign, built around Clean-up Days. The campaign was carried out in co-operation with the merchants, the township, the public school, the fire department and other organizations. The clean-up was a tremendous success, and many people made comment on the general improvement in the look and cleanliness of the downtown core. Out of the "Get Proud"

campaign, some merchants found out about the loans available through the HCDC, which would help them in facade improvement for their businesses. There are now several businesses which have improved their look by building new facades, and by so doing, have helped greatly in sprucing up downtown Minden. In addition, another committee was formed by several members of the MMRC, to facilitate the hanging of colorful banners along Bobcaygeon Rd, from Newcastle Street to the Cultural Centre. The banners were designed and painted by local artists and school children. The banners generated a great deal of 'buzz', and the response has been overwhelmingly positive.

So, the first steps in the revitalization of Minden are well under way, and a sense of pride among local merchants is evident by the new facades, the new paint jobs, the banners, the contributions of the horticultural society and private citizens responsible for the beautiful hanging flower baskets, and by the increased efforts of the municipality and individual merchants to keep Minden clean.

An Official Plan

In order for medium and longer range plans to be successful, and in order to form an effective merchant's organization, an official plan was called for. Using information and input from all the previous urban studies over the years, from merchants and interested residents, from 2 levels of government, from talking to members of previous local merchant organizations, and from interviewing organizers of successful business associations in other centres, an Official Plan was assembled.

This Official Plan is to show the steps to follow to re-establish a structured business organization, what such an organization could do for established and future businesses, and to outline some of the requirements necessary to implement a continuing revitalizing of downtown Minden.

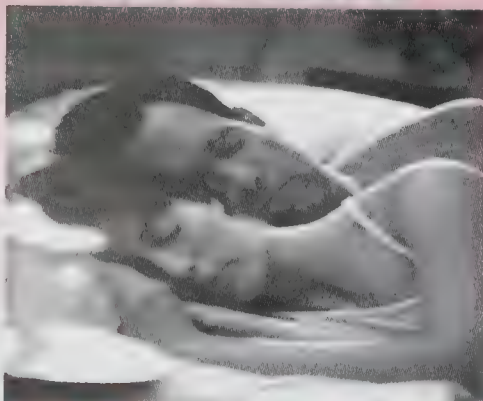
The Open House

The Open House was to show merchants what great benefits can be gained by following the good business practice of investing in the area where you do business, and to show that a healthy Minden means more money in their own pockets. The Open House also gave merchants the opportunity to learn what The MMRC has accomplished on their behalf in the last year, to look at the Official Plan, and take their own copy, and to meet with other merchants. There was also a Comments and Suggestions Sheet for merchants to fill out if they wanted to. The Open House was an informal gathering, and the aim of the MMRC was that merchants would be united in agreeing with the benefits of progress to date, see the Official Plan as a well-conceived guideline to follow, and agree on taking the next steps towards the formation of a merchants association, as outlined in the plan.

After the additional comments and suggestions from merchants are added to the plan, it is to be officially presented to Minden Hills Council meeting of July 26th.

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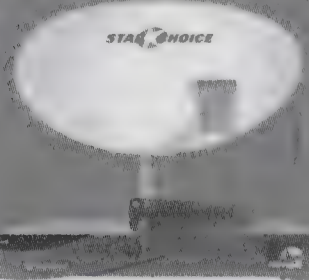
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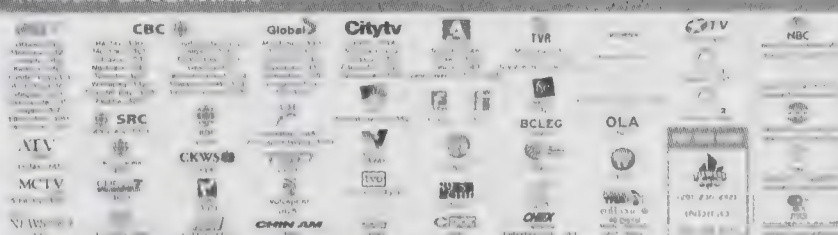
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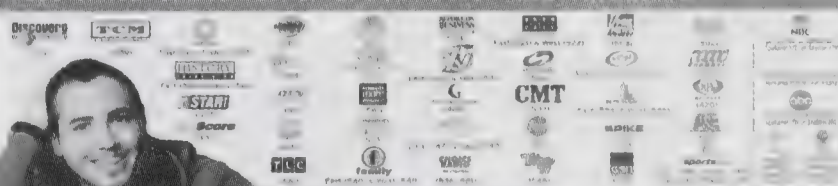
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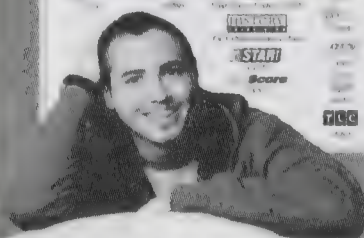
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We Support Our Troops Banner



A 900 foot "WE SUPPORT OUR TROOPS" banner, created by the 1st Kinmount Sparks, Brownies & Girl Guides, is currently on hand to collect signatures at the Royal Canadian Legion in Kinmount. The banner has been travelling around the City of Kawartha Lakes since early May, collecting signatures that will hopefully bring a smile to the faces of our soldiers far from home in Afghanistan.

The idea for the banner sprouted from Girl Guide Jessica Graham who was touched by the death of some of our soldiers in Afghanistan at Easter time. Originally her idea was to make a card to show our troops we care. Jessica, along with her Aunt Christine Willemse, approached Guide Leader Lynne Kilby about the 1st Kinmount Unit making a banner that could be circulated for signatures. Believing it to be a fantastic idea to have the girls involved; arrangements went forth with the Royal Canadian Legion in Fenelon Falls to cover the cost of supplies.

The unit's April 30th meeting consisted of spring clean up at Kinmount



Cenotaph, a visit from Corporal West Arcsott of the Canadian Armed Forces who had recently returned from Afghanistan and the making of the banner. "We Guide Leaders were absolutely astounded with the number and quality of questions

the girls had for Corporal Arcsott.," states Guider Lynne Kilby. "It was truly amazing to see first hand just how aware the girls are about our troops circumstances" she said.

After presenting Corporal Arcsott with a thank you gift, (a T-shirt that said "Kinmount" of course!) the 1st Kinmount Unit of 19 girls, proceeded to create their banner. According to Guider Lynne Kilby, "This banner clearly shows how much our girls care about the sacrifices made by our troops to preserve our freedom."

Upon completion, the banner began its tour at the Fenelon Falls Home Show where the response was unbelievable. The next scheduled stop for the banner is the Royal Canadian Legion in Bobcaygeon where it will stay until Aug. 10 when it moves to the Fenelon Falls Legion to arrive in conjunction with the Fenelon Fair. The 1st Kinmount Unit hopes to have the banner on display for signatures for Kinmount Fair and Lindsay Central Exhibition before sending it on to our troops in Afghanistan. To

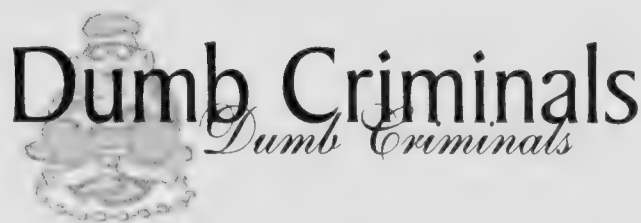
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Kinmount Seniors Craft Bake Flea Market

Kinmount Seniors are having a Craft/Bake/Flea Market on August 4, 2007 from 9:00 to 3:00 at the Kinmount Railway Station in Kinmount, Ontario. Rain date is August 5, 2007.

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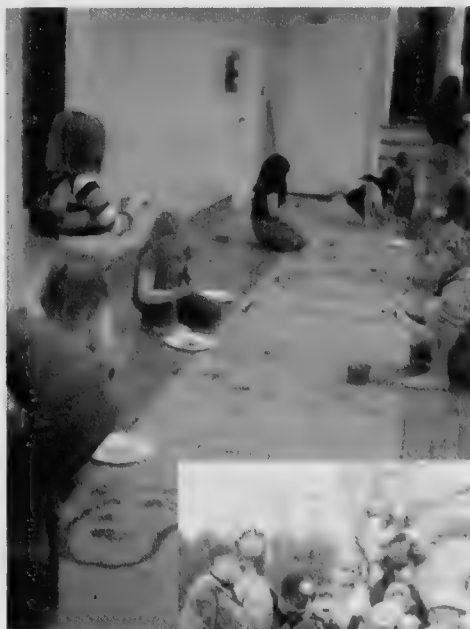
The Kinmount Seniors are an organization which promotes the best interests of senior citizens in a variety of ways. It is involved in the education and promotion of wellness, health, fitness, safety and recreation to its members and their associates and to provide a means whereby seniors can work together to have input on issues concerning them. Come on out an help support this fantastic group at their upcoming Craft / Bake / Flea Market!!



WITH GREAT PASSION: "According to the officers on the scene, she told them she was attempting to reenact a scene from the movie," said New Britain, Conn, police spokesman Sgt. Darren Pearson. The movie: "The Passion of the Christ". The unnamed woman, married and in her 40s, purposefully drove her Chevrolet Lumina into a pond at a city park in order to baptize herself, officers said. ...Who will ever be able to forget the moving scene when Jesus drives his Chevy into the baptismal pool?

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view pictures of the Sparks, Brownies and Girl Guides cleaning up at the cenotaph, visiting with Corporal Arscott and making the banner visit: www.1stkinmountunit.clubspaces.com

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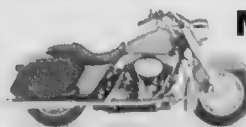
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So when I first took up golf back in high school it was simply a matter of translating that natural cadence to the task at hand.

My pop never played golf, so I was self-taught, learning the rudiments of the game and the finesse of the swing watching guys like Palmer, Nicklaus, Miller, Player and Trevino on television.

Golf used to be fun. Oh, I'd hit my share of bad balls, but there was always a natural rhythm in my swing and I was able to work my ugly slice into a workable fade.

Most golfers are delusional. They are possessed of a selective memory. They live in the past.

And so, 128 straight duck hooks and loopy fades will not erase the memory of that day back in 1974 when a golfer magically lofted a 3 wood 240 yards on a beeper line straight from the first cut to a spot on the green

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just 6 inches from the pin. That eagle, in his own deluded noggin, placed him among the pantheon of the greats.

Yes, for a shining slit in the curtain of time, he was Ben Hogan. And the fact that his swing resembles the flight of a wounded albatross will never convince him that he shouldn't be playing alongside Tiger at Winged Foot.

My memory is of a seven iron hit so dead and so true that it bounced twice and into the hole with a sweet click on the pin. Ironically it was that shot that convinced me that maybe I should take this game a little more seriously. Maybe I was a prodigy.

And so I embarked on just one of several thousand bad decisions I have made. I decided to play a few rounds with my favorite uncle, the Reverend Donald Francis Gavan.

Shortly after that fateful decision to leave my game in the hands of this absolute golfing lunatic, my golf swing collapsed like a deck of stacked cards in a tsunami.

Uncle Don was a natural athlete. Played end at Carleton University before moving over to St Mike's Seminary in Toronto where he played hockey. He was a gifted skater and there were hints of some offers from the Leafs before he chose to enter the priesthood.

For a time, later in life, he would suit up sporadically with the famed Flying Fathers hockey team.

But his one love was golf. He lived for the summers and the links. On especially nice sunny Sunday's in July he would forego the sermon with a nod and tell the congregation that it was too nice to be cooped up on this blessed day.

I thought Donald Francis would make the perfect mentor, the quintessential buffer between me and a 6 handicap.

Now I had never seen him play, but had heard vague rumblings that he possessed a natural flair for the game.

He did possess a natural flair for a game. But unfortunately that game was not golf.

As I learned, the Gav had a special relationship with the game of golf.

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I still have those lefty clubs today. They're standing in an old granary in Beausejour, Manitoba. You see what he neglected to tell me was an extension to the rule. It's impossible to hit a slice or a draw if one can't make contact with the ball.

On the first tee, I also recognized another little disjoint from the norm. He would tee up a ball, hit it out, grumble a bit and then tee up another. Gav teed up 3 balls on every hole. I was beginning to see why he carried such a low handicap.

Oh, and for you novices out there. Do not try this on a busy Sunday at your local links. Unless you happen to be wearing a cleric's collar. Most golfers have low tolerance for such shenanigans and you may end up on the wrong end of a well-placed Titleist.

When he did hit an errant shot into the woods, Gav would disappear, with his cart in tow, into the fringe of forest looking for all the world like

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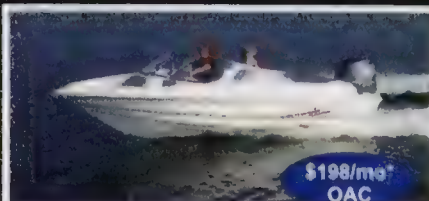


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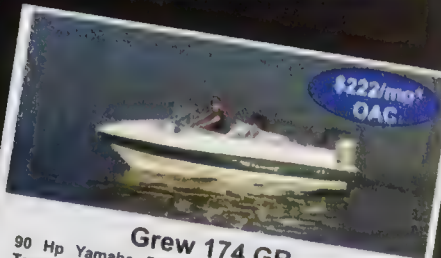


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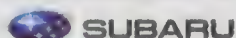
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Why do boats have round windows instead of square ones?

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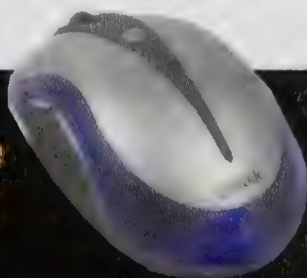
by the Bashful Comic



A First grade teacher had twenty-five students in her class and she presented each child in her class the first half of a well-known proverb and asked them to come up with the remainder of the proverb. It's hard to believe these were actually done by first graders. Their insight may surprise you! While reading these, keep in mind that these are first graders - 6-year-olds - because the last one is classic!

1. Don't change horses....until they stop running.
2. Strike while the....bug is close.
3. It's always darkest before.....Daylight Saving Time.
4. Never underestimate the power of.....termites.
5. You can lead a horse to water but.....how?
6. Don't bite the hand that.....looks dirty.
7. No news is.....impossible.
8. A miss is as good as a.....Mr
9. You can't teach an old dog new.....math.
10. If you lie down with dogs, you'll.....stink in the morning.
11. Love all, trust.....me.
12. The pen is mightier than the.....pigs.
13. An idle mind is.....he best way to relax.
14. Where there's smoke there's.....pollution.
15. Happy the bride who.....gets all the presents.
16. A penny saved is.....not much.
17. Two's company, three's..... the Musketeers.
18. Don't put off till tomorrow what.....you put on to go to bed.
19. Laugh and the whole world laughs with you, cry and..... you have to blow your nose.
20. There are none so blind as..... Stevie Wonder.
21. Children should be seen and not.....spanked or grounded.
22. If at first you don't succeed.....get new batteries.
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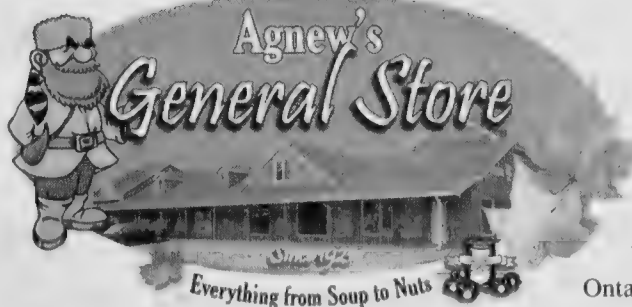


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AGNEW'S GENERAL STORE GETS A LITTLE HELP FROM A FRIEND

By Terrance Gavan



**Sean Aiken Making
His Way To
Wilberforce - One of
Numerous Career
Stops**

I hooked up with Sean in Marathon, Ontario by phone last Friday evening. He's in Marathon doing a stint as Race Director for the local Penn Lake Pursuit Triathlon run last weekend on July 14-15.

He also shared a turn as Concert Host last Wednesday evening in Marathon.

"Well the Concert in the Parking lot Wednesday night went really well. I was hosting the event, which I was kind of nervous about, but after arriving in town and meeting some of the people, it was easy to feel comfortable," said Aiken.

"All the proceeds from the concert are going to be donated to the Make Poverty History campaign and everyone was very generous and supportive."

Jodi Rupnow was driving in her car and listening to the CBC recently when a story about a unique project piqued her interest. The CBC was interviewing erstwhile adventurer Sean Aiken who has been on a Canada-wide quest in search of the perfect job.

Since February 26 of this year, Aiken, a 25-year-old MBA graduate of BC's Capilano College has been sticking his toe in Canada's deep employment pool, seeking fun, frolic and fulfillment a week at a time.

"I was listening and thought it was just such a unique thing to do, so when I got home I logged on to his website and asked if he would like to work a week at our store," said Rupnow, whose grandparents founded Agnew's General Store in Wilberforce. The store has been a fixture in downtown Wilberforce since 1921.

Aiken wrote back almost immediately and said "sure, why not."

Of course, Jodi, who has a young child, and is a stay-at-home mom, only works at Agnew's when absolutely necessary these days, and she had to clear the way for Aiken's arrival with her mom Mary Barker.

"But when I ran it by my mother, she was just as interested as I was," said Rupnow, who also plans to get Sean involved in a little bit of geocaching while he's here in Wilberforce.

"Wilberforce is the geocaching capital of Canada and we'd like to introduce him to that," said Rupnow. Of course, that all depends on whether Sean will have time in between stocking shelves, serving ice cream, working the garden center and packing groceries at Agnews.

Sean is due to arrive in Wilberforce on Monday, July 16 and will put in a full week before heading off to a wedding back in BC on Friday July 20.

Aiken explains that he doesn't get paid for his work directly by the employers. "They donate my wages right to the Make Poverty History Fund," says Aiken.

"I'm actually sponsored by the Internet job site nicejob.ca," explains Aiken.

He says that he was drawn to the Make Poverty History Project after a chat with a pal.

"At the same time that I had the idea for One Week Job, a friend brought to my attention an article regarding the issue of child poverty in Canada," explains Aiken.

"I was completely naïve to the fact that child poverty existed in Canada. After researching it further, I discovered that sure enough, even though we live in one of the richest countries in the world, a country that

ranked fourth in the world on the 2004 UN Human Development Index, and even though our government in 1989 made a unanimous all-party resolution to eliminate poverty among Canadian children by the year 2000, 1 in 6 Canadian children still live in poverty. I thought that the project would also be a great way to bring some much needed awareness to these issues."

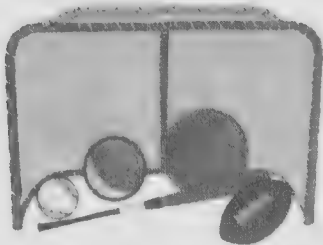
Aiken does get travel expenses from nicejob.ca, but he stays with employers or interested families to save on expenses. He also frequently saves on bus fare by hitching rides.

In fact he plans to hitch a ride from Marathon to Wilberforce after the Triathlon ends on Sunday.

When asked where he got the idea for this unique adventure, Aiken, who carried a 4.0 grade point average in Business Admin and was the valedictorian of his class, said that he wanted to explore some facets of life before embarking on a career.

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In The Locker Room cont'd...

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Shoeless Joe Jackson

disappearing into that ubiquitous field of corn. An audible crash could be heard as Gav and cart tumbled into the abyss.

Thirty seconds later, the onerous crunch of a five iron loading, and out would come his ball followed by the mad Trappist and his cart.

Gav's secret club was a wooden cane. He used it for bad shots in front of a crowd. He'd limp toward the errant shot, lean on the cane and curse "that old football injury."

I've watched him hole out from a buried lie deep in a bunker with that infernal cane.

He sometimes played all three balls. And he would always ask if I was away.

"Err, Unc, how do I know, I have no idea which ball you're playing."

And then he'd toss me a ball and say, "here play this one, and for god's sake, keep your left arm straight, drive through with your right hip, drop your right shoulder at impact, don't bend your left knee at impact and follow through 10 degrees left of the hole. And try not to make it look like you're swinging a bag of hammers!"

I swing exactly like that today.

I have enlisted the aid not of a swing doctor, but of an exorcist. He's a Jesuit and he gained some measure of fame as a consultant on the set of Rosemary's Baby. His name is Fr. Patrick Seamus Ruari O'Niblick and he's 75 with a 4 handicap.

"Ok Terrance, let's see it."

I square nicely to the pin, draw back on my new Nike Cobra *right-handed driver* and glue a lame 110 yard worm burner that flies past the fence and onto the adjacent highway, narrowly missing an oncoming Mercedes before disappearing into a cow pasture on the other side of the road.

"So, Father Patrick," I ask meekly. "Is it... the devil?"

His response is measured and grave. "Well Young Terrance... let's see, your left arm is rigid, your hip is shaky, you're falling off your right shoulder, your left knee resembles a piece of wood and it looks like you're gazing toward Mars on your follow through. But no it's not the devil.

"Not even Lucifer can take a normal human being and inflict that much damage in the course of a normal lifetime. No there's something way more sinister than Beelzebub going on with that paroxysm you call a swing.

"Wait... what's your last name? Gavan? Good God you're not related to the Reverend Donald Francis are you?... Don't tell me... let me guess... he took you out golfing when you were young..." And then he started to laugh.

"No... not the devil, but close enough... and the Roman Catholic Church does not provide me with nearly enough tools to cure this one."

I nod humbly. "Is there anything I can do Fr. Patrick?"

"Well of course there is son... do you like tennis by any chance?"

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Sean Aiken Working One Week at a Time... You Can Hire Him Too!

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"Rather than jump into the first job that came my way, I had an idea to do a different job each week," said Aiken. "It's a nice life experience as well."

And how. Over the last 16 weeks or so, Aiken has worked as a bungee attendant, dairy farmer, snowshoe guide, talk show intern, volleyball coach and courier de bois to name but a few.

So what's been his most challenging stint thus far into the campaign?

"My most challenging position was as a Yoga Instructor," chuckles Aiken, and I'm not quite sure if that quip about position was intentionally ironic. As we all know, Yoga is full of challenging positions.

"I had never been to a yoga studio in my life and my goal was to learn the ropes from Monday to Thursday and then teach a class on Friday," said Aiken.

"That was a real challenge, but I did take a class on Friday and it was kind of exciting."

After Wilberforce, Aiken will be taking that small break to attend a wedding in Vancouver.

And then its back to Toronto for a one to two week stint at the Steamwhistle Brewery.

"That should be a really interesting job as well," said Aiken.

After that, Aiken will be sifting emails from the website and looking at opportunities.

"I plan to continue this for a full year or 52 weeks," said Aiken.

On his to-do list Aiken said he would really like to be mentored by a top executive and "just follow him/her around the job and get shown the ropes. I think I could learn so much from an experience like that."

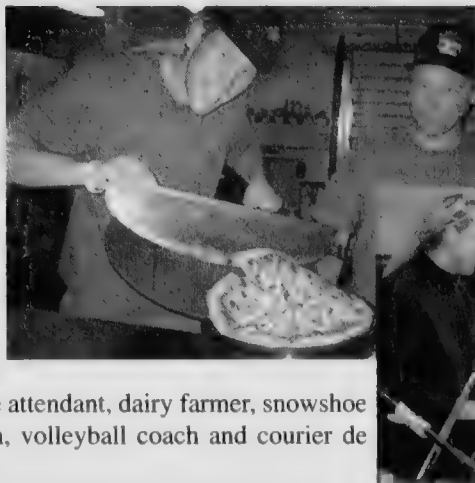
Failing that he would also like to get back to the land, get a feel for the prairie roots of this country.

"A farmer in Southern Saskatchewan," said Aiken. "When my best friend and I were traveling around Canada in 2003, we stayed for a couple of days in a town called Flintoff; population 8. We had such a great time, yet perhaps partly due to the foosball table and trampoline."

For right now, Aiken is just worried about getting from Marathon to Wilberforce.

"What's the best way there?" he asks. I mumble something about banging a left toward Parry Sound at Sudbury. Then I offer the best piece of advice I know for any hitchhiker unlucky enough to be thumbing down Canada's Number 1 Highway north of the Lakehead.

"Don't take a ride to Wawa... you may never get out."



Sean laughs on the other end of the cell phone. "Wawa... ok, I'll remember that. I'm really looking forward to getting there and meeting the people at Agnew's General Store." And right there Aiken underscores the philosophy behind his unique quest. Something we can probably take back to our own bailiwick.

It ain't, after all, about the final destination... it's all about the journey. Of course Jodi Rupnow would probably remind us to bring along that GPS... just in case.

Sean can be reached via his website located at: <http://www.oneweekjob.com>

Sean is pictured at other places of employment during his tour.

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Bill should know what he's talking about, as he explains. "I've

been in the business since 1978 when I started out with a small paving company in Toronto. I ventured out on my own when I was 21, and I've been on my own ever since."

Bill and Karen moved to Carnarvon in 2006 from the Newmarket area. Before the move was decided upon they had been to Dorset to visit a family member, and Bill looked in the yellow pages and discovered that there were no asphalt driveway coating businesses in the area. "We debated for about a year whether to make a move because I had a great job," says Karen. "I'm a certified dental assistant. I used to help fill holes in teeth, and now I help Bill fill holes in driveways," she laughs. "But I was ready for a change, we always liked the outdoors." They also both felt that it would be a great environment to raise young Autumn Jordan, who now attends Archie Stouffer School in Minden.

"Our house in Carnarvon came with a nice sized lot, it's peaceful and tranquil," adds Bill. "It wasn't easy at first, not knowing anybody," Karen continues. "I also work part time at the Red Umbrella Inn, and I've met great people through there."

"And they serve a fabulous Sunday Brunch," says Bill. Leaving the idea of brunch behind, Bill gets back to business. "Business will take a bit of time to establish," he feels. "But I do my own marketing myself, so we're able to pass on the saving to the consumer. Some of the business takes me around Lindsay, Orillia and the surrounding area. They are old clients, property managers who have multiple properties to look after." Some of Bill's clients include Tim Hortons, Cango Gas Stations, the Admiral Inn in Lindsay, and the Beer Stores in Coboconk and Fenelon Falls. Locally Bill has done work on driveways for the Communicator, the Lakeview Motel, and for large residential properties, whose owners want their gravel drives coated, "so that they don't wash away," in a rain storms, or in the spring run-off.

"On an asphalt surface that is already paved, oxidization from the sun contributes to the deterioration of the asphalt surface," Bill makes clear. "By applying the liquid asphalt-not the water-based variety, but the real asphalt liquid, it actually revitalizes the asphalt surface, thus helping to prevent pitting, cracking and the formation of pot holes. A driveway is a big investment nowadays because asphalt has increased 70% this year due to high petroleum costs, so good driveway maintenance saves you a lot of money in the long run." In addition to driveways, Extreme Exteriors also coats graveled tarmac, flat roofs, and foundations, as well as repairing asphalt. You can also get in touch with Bill for large paving jobs.

Karen helps out on location with blowing clear the driveways, plus she's the company book keeper. "We also employ 3 full time seasonal employees," she says. "Bill says that the slowest part of



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Ghost Stories

Scary Tales

The following is a fun little column for those who like ghost stories... Whether these are true or not we don't know, but they are stories told by those who believe they saw real ghosts! If anything, they do make for interesting little stories... enjoy...

The Curse of Tutankhamen

In 1891 a young Englishman named Howard Carter arrived in Egypt. Over the years he became convinced that there was at least one undiscovered tomb. That of the almost unknown King Tutankhamen. Carter found a backer for his tomb search in the wealthy Lord Carnarvon.

For five years Carter dug looking for the missing Pharaoh and found nothing.

Carnarvon summoned Carter to England in 1922 to tell him he was calling off the search. Carter managed to talk the lord into supporting him for one more season of digging.

Returning to Egypt the archaeologist brought with him a yellow canary. "A golden bird!" Carter's foreman, Reis Ahmed, exclaimed.

"It will lead us to the tomb!" Perhaps it did. On November 4th, 1922 Carter's workmen discovered a step cut into the rock.

Then they found fifteen more leading to an ancient doorway that appeared to be still sealed.

On the doorway was the name Tutankhamen.

When Carter arrived home that night his servant met him at the door. In his hand he clutched a few yellow feathers. His eyes large with fear, he reported that the canary had been killed by a cobra.

Carter, a practical man, told the servant to make sure the snake was out of the house. The man grabbed Carter by the sleeve.

"The pharaoh's serpent ate the bird because it led us to the hidden tomb! You must not disturb the tomb!"

Scoffing at such superstitious nonsense, Carter sent the man home. Carter immediately sent a telegram to Carnarvon and waited anxiously for his arrival. Carnarvon made it to Egypt by November 26th and watched as Carter made a hole in the door. Carter leaned in, holding a candle, to take a look. Behind him Lord Carnarvon asked, "Can you see anything?" Carter answered, "Yes, wonderful things."

The tomb was intact and contained an amazing collection of treasures including a stone sarcophagus. The sarcophagus contained three gold coffins nested within each other. Inside the final one was the mummy of the boy-king, Pharaoh Tutankhamen. The day the tomb was opened was one of joy and celebration for all those involved. Nobody seemed to be concerned about any curse. A few months later tragedy struck. Lord Carnarvon, 57, was taken ill and rushed to Cairo. He died a few days later. The exact cause of death was not known, but it seemed to be from an infection started by an



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the year is January. "But I do a lot of emergency asphalt repairs in the winter, filling pot holes in high traffic areas like drive-thru's and gas stations."

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insect bite. Legend has it that when he died there was a short power failure and all the lights throughout Cairo went out. On his estate back in England his favourite dog howled and dropped dead.

Even more strange, when the mummy of Tutankhamun was unwrapped in 1925, it was found to have a wound on the left cheek in the same exact position as the insect bite on Carnarvon that lead to his death.

By 1929 eleven people connected with the discovery of the Tomb had died early and of unnatural causes. This included two of Carnarvon's relatives, Carter's personal secretary, Richard Bethell, and Bethell's father, Lord Westbury. Westbury killed himself by jumping from a building. He left a note that read, "I really cannot stand any more horrors and hardly see what good I am going to do here, so I am making my exit."

What horrors did Westbury refer to?

The press followed the deaths carefully attributing each new one to the "Mummy's Curse." By 1935 they had credited 21 victims to King Tut. Was there really a curse? Or was it all just the ravings of a sensational press?

Perhaps, the power of a curse is in the mind of the person who believes in it. Howard Carter, the man who actually opened the tomb, never believed in the curse and lived to the age of 66 before dying of entirely natural causes.

The Hookers are Coming Back to Minden. Rug Hookers that is.

Minden Hills Museum Minden will be hosting "Heritage Rekindled" on Saturday July 28th. The Cultural Centre has invited craft persons to demonstrate their skills, answer questions and offer you the chance to purchase a handcrafted item or two. The goal of the event is to showcase skills from the past and how they have been adapted and are still being used in the present day, as well as introducing people to the Centre. The Haliburton County Rug Hookers are holding their Annual Hook-In today. Try your hand at hooking, browse their vendors & view the fabulous pieces these ladies have produced. Spend the day enjoying the old-tyme crafts, foods and skills. Admission is only \$2 per person. Contact: Carol Simmons Tel: 705-286-3154 or email: museum@minden.on.ca

Water Trails Day

The 2nd Annual Haliburton Highlands Water Trails Day will take place on Saturday, July 28 at 20130 Hwy 35 (beside Frost Centre) near Dorset. This will be a fun day event with outdoor activities and displays around canoeing, camping, safe boating, product try-outs, wilderness survival, guided hike, skills competition, heritage displays, local environmental organizations, BBQ and entertainment. The day's events run from 10am to 4pm. For more information contact Mark Coleman at 705-766-9033, or email thehhwt@aol.com.

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Haliburton Arts & Craft Show Turns 43

43rd Annual Haliburton Art & Craft Show
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Sunday July 29 10 am – 4 pm
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The 43rd Annual Haliburton Art & Craft Show is a three-day outdoor event that has taken place annually in Haliburton Village's beautiful Head Lake Park. Admission to the show is by donation and all proceeds support Rails End Gallery & Arts Centre, Haliburton's public gallery offering public programs, exhibitions and art events year round.

This juried craft show and sale is a premier Haliburton County event showcasing work by over 100 artisans and artists working in a variety of media from across the Province. With it's "old time" feel the show is popular with local residents and cottagers. Hundreds of people have made a special trip from Toronto and Ottawa just to shop for uncommon fine art and craft at this one of a kind event.

Fresh Talent

Seasoned craft show shoppers claim the Haliburton Art & Craft Show is one of the best shows in Ontario and year after year patrons delight in seeing the high quality of craftsmanship on display. It is remarkable how artists are constantly growing regardless of their craft tradition. (Creativity is like that, isn't it?) Nonetheless, freshness is important and in 2007 show organizers welcome several Emerging Artists to the show. These budding artists and artisans are in the early stages of their careers, which means most of them are younger than the show! But not all. It takes some people longer than others to discover their latent artistic talents. Be sure to visit them over by the bandshell and see what's new and different in the Highlands.

Studio Tour Raffle

Once again the Haliburton County Studio Tour artists have generously donated prizes to the Gallery's fundraising raffle. This year's artists are: Lisa Barry, Sophia Tink, Tracey Lee Green – Nostalgic Art Studio, Sylvia Rose – Studio Rose, Finn Samuelson – Vintage Debris. Thanks to our hospitality partners, we have a couple of new prizes: Overnight stays at

Lakeview Motel and Delta Pinestone Resort. Raffle Tickets are \$5 each and you can pick them up at the Gate, at the Gallery table inside the show or from the Gallery Shop.

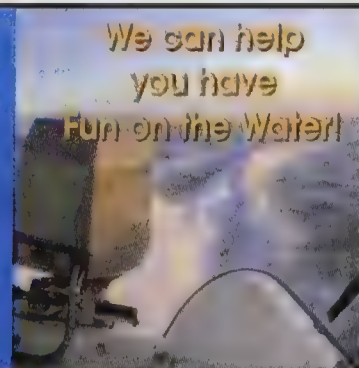


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The Grooming Studio

Clipping Along Great Since January

by George Farrell

Zara the Golden Retriever stood on the grooming table complacently, a look of contentment on her doggy face as Adele Barry gently pulled the slicker brush through the luxuriant coat. Golden Retrievers could be the poster dogs for dog grooming studios, as their hair is so long and luxuriant, and in need of constant periodic grooming. They are also of a friendly disposition and positively adore affection and attention.

Zara is Adele Barry's pet, and they were both posing for photos for this article. After the shoot Adele took time out to talk about the business of grooming. Adele only opened her business in January of this year. She was previously working as a medical secretary for doctors Bottom and Conway, and before that for Dr. Harry Good. Although she liked her work, she decided that she needed a change, so she purchased Hound Dog Grooming in December of 2006. Hound Dog Grooming was the former business of John Proctor and Dianna Stahle. They ran the successful business from their home on Highway 118.

Before Adele took over her new business she underwent an arduous four month training session with John and Dianna, during which time she learned as much from them as she possibly could. "It was an intense and sometimes grueling process," says Adele of her training "and it was a credit to John and Dianna that we got through it, and I was job ready." It didn't take Adele long to find the location that she wanted, on York Street in Haliburton, across from the Rails End Gallery. "This was the right size, and a great location in town, with good parking. We didn't need to be on the main street," she says. Equipped with the 'built-in, inherited'

clientele from Hound Dog Grooming, Adele hit the ground running, so to speak.

"There's a standard grooming process for each dog, and each individual breed has its own breed standard," she relates, as she reaches for a bible-sized book. The book shows and tells all the intricacies involved in grooming each breed, and Adele had to know all the information in the book before she opened for business.

"Standard grooming includes understanding the anatomy of a dog, the grooming routine, clipping technique and scissoring, handling and control of the dog, and coat and skin care." Adele gives the example of a West Highland White Terrier and supports her words with images from the book. "There's a specific head treatment for these dogs," she says, "and a specific contoured cut that gives this breed its distinctive look." Other distinctive cuts that people can relate to are Poodle cuts which can feature some outrageous coiffures intended for the show ring, and Schnauzer cuts, which emphasize the dogs

'beard'. Adele goes on to explain a bit about coat and skin care. "There's various ways to bathe and dry dogs, and there's different shampoos for different coat types and for skin types and for dogs with different skin conditions," she says. "Most dogs we put in drying crates, which have gentle drying blowers. Then they're finished by hand. It's a timing thing. When one dog is drying, I can be prepping another dog for a bath. I hired my brother Jeff in April, when it became apparent that it was going to become too busy for me. He helps to prep, bathe and dry the dogs for me, and I do the finishing groom."

Business, it would appear, has been good. "The response has been overwhelming," Adele says, with some surprise at just how busy she has been. "I'd like to get the first year in to see if the volume will increase or level out, and then I can decide if I need another groomer or another brusher/bather, at which time Jeff will do more grooming."

Adele likes all dogs, but she does have a favorite breed. "We love Golden Retrievers," she says, "and that's no surprise. But there are dogs from hell out there, and for groomers, safety is a

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consideration. "We work with sharp tools," says Adele, "and dogs with behavior problems are tough. Some dogs like Cocker Spaniels are notorious for not liking their feet touched," she reveals. "And Westies can be a problem sometimes because they are very strong-willed dogs. Occasionally we have to muzzle a dog for a specific purpose. We can't allow ourselves to be bitten, plus we are also very concerned about the health and safety of the dog."

Some owners only bring in their dogs when grooming gets too much for them. "We see a lot of dogs who have not been groomed for months," Adele says, shaking her head in dismay. "People are not always aware when they purchase a dog, that depending on the breed, they might need constant grooming-its like a person who needs a hair cut, it keeps growing if it's not maintained. When the hair is matted we have to groom with very short blades to get close to the skin, so that's sometimes a problem for the dog." Presumably that too is the time when some nips could occur, and dogs might have to be muzzled.

Adele continues talking about grooming experiences, and it's apparent that not only does she enjoy the work, but also that she's fully absorbed all the information from her intense training. "Dogs like Labs are double coated, where the undercoat continues to grow, and it should be removed periodically. Every 3 or 4 months is good for a Lab. A single coated dog like a poodle or a Shih Tzu needs regular grooming every 6 to 8 weeks or their hair will continue to grow, and get matted." Some people of course groom their own dogs regularly, a fact which Adele acknowledges. "Even though many people self-groom their dogs its still good to bring them in every once in a while, because we have all the proper tools and know-how," she opines.

"We keep smaller dogs for about 3 hours, and larger ones for about 4 hours, which gives people time to do their shopping, have a meal or do whatever else they have to do in town," Adele says, as the front door opens. A customer enters the studio with a small terrier, much in need of grooming, tentatively tucked under arm. The terrier is not amused. Adele Barry on the other hand, is delighted.

The Grooming Studio can be found at 24 York Street in Haliburton. You can reach Adele Barry at (705) 457-3335. Hours of operation vary, but generally are from 9-5 Monday through Saturday. Adele will come in early to accommodate clients. Please book in advance for an appointment.



Gooderham Mid Summer Craft Sale

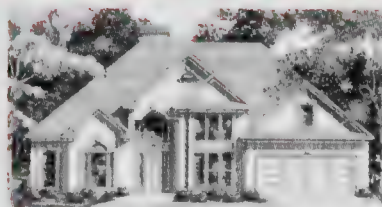
The Gooderham Community Centre will be a hot spot for Craft Show lovers on July 21-22nd as they present the 'Mid-Summer Craft Sale 2'. There will be approximately 30 tables including crafters from across the County at our sales and even a few from beyond our borders offering hand knot and crocheted wearable's and home decor, homemade preserves, handmade quilts, antiques and collectibles, herbals, home baking, fine art and doggie biscuits. Lunch is available at the community centre so bring your appetite! For more info call Elva Bates at 447-2977.

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Pictured: Adele Barry outside her studio & Adele and Zara

New Business *Introducing ...*

by Trudy Pogue

Cushion Cottage Gallery A Showcase of Local Talent

There is a lot of talent in the small community around Wilberforce. Just take a trip to the new Cushion Cottage Gallery and you'll see what I mean. Several local artists have banded together to open up a studio and store on the main street of Wilberforce.

After being greeted by the big, black bear at the door, you can browse through two rooms full of a variety of beautiful, unique, hand-made items. You'll find decorative cushions and bedding, watercolour paintings, porcelain dolls, pottery, denim embroidered quilts, jewellery, ceramics and "furniture art" (that's what Glenn Ward has dubbed his original, artistic pieces of furniture).

The new gallery officially opened on June 16, not long after Lynda Wootton discovered that the space behind the Re/Max office in Wilberforce was up for rent. Lynda had been operating her business, The Cushion Cottage, in the garage behind her home on Tall Pine Road.

"I kept looking for places in town," she says.

When she found this place, she knew it would work, but she also knew she couldn't do it alone. So Lynda contacted other artists in the area and they jumped on board.

The walls of this gallery-to-be were a gloomy, dark green. After a few coats of white paint, the walls are now bright and inviting. There is a lot of history in this building. It was originally the fire hall and has also been the home of the Wilberforce Library, the LCBO, a clothing store called "Sisters", and most recently, a rock shop. Many locals will remember when "Country Goodies" was in the front of the building, the current Re/Max office. This restaurant was owned by Jack and Eva Linkert and it was here where they first sold their porcelain dolls. Wilberforce's Linkert Bakery (famous for its fruitcake) originally sold its baked goods at "Country Goodies" before branching off. Janet Barker is the current owner of the bakery, and she makes sure there are always fresh-baked treats available at the gallery.

The Cushion Cottage Gallery is open from 10-5 Monday to Thursday, 10-8 on Friday, 10-5 on Saturday, and 12-4 on Sunday. The gallery will be open until Thanksgiving. The artists have been asked to keep it open for Christmas shopping but with no heat in the building, they aren't able to make that commitment. So shop early this year!

Oh ... and if you're wondering about the bear ... sorry, he's not for sale!

About the Artists

Lynda Wootton has always been fascinated with colour and fabric and, as a young girl, she began designing doll clothes. In her teens, she expanded into dressmaking and this eventually became a business. Four years ago, she moved to the area from Toronto and the business evolved into interior

decorating. The Cushion Cottage now includes a little bit of all these things - dressmaking, decorating, textures and colours. She is excited to be joining with others of like interests in this newest venture.

When **Pat Clarke** retired from teaching, she found herself in need of a new hobby and in 1995, she began watercolor painting. After taking several courses, she has discovered the techniques that work for her and has developed her own style. She creates colourful landscapes and farm scenes, as well as some florals. Pat makes her own frames from a variety of wood, staining and finishing each one to suit the painting.

Eva Linkert has a real love for doll making. About ten years ago she and her husband, Jack, took a course, bought a kiln and started their doll journey. Each doll is unique and they have even created custom dolls from photographs. Jack passed away four years ago and while Eva no longer makes new dolls, she has quite an inventory to choose from. Eva now produces unique ceramic items and has also taught ceramics classes.

Charlene McConnell says, "For as long as I can remember I have been an avid admirer of all things made from clay." In University, she collected pottery pieces and as a young, at-home mom, she enrolled in a recreational pottery class. "In ten short weeks I became obsessed with clay," she says. She and her family moved to Harcourt Park in 2004 and Charlene enrolled in the ceramics certificate program at the Haliburton School of the Arts. She makes fun and functional pots for home and garden, often including nature motifs and themes in her work. She derives inspiration from the colours and scenery she sees around her. Charlene hopes that each pot she makes will in some way touch and enhance the life of another pottery enthusiast.

Jutta Dombroskie uses recycled denim to make embroidered quilts with various themes, for example, owls, lighthouses, dogs, birds and wildlife. She originally embroidered her quilts by hand and sold them at flea markets with her daughter. When the demand increased, she purchased an embroidery machine.

As a child, **Glenn Ward** was interested in creating things that never existed. He loves to work with his hands to produce original pieces. Glenn was trained as an upholsterer and graduated from the Sheridan College Furniture Design program in 1991. Like an artist chooses paint, Glenn chooses wood for its colour. He looks for patterns in wood to create visual symmetry, and he likes to create furniture with curves. "Because curves create visual interest," he says. Glenn's furniture art can be found in homes and cottages in the area, and also as far away as the U.S. His work has been displayed in galleries as far away as Edmonton, Alberta.

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Sitting Pretty: The History of the Toilet

...a touring educational exhibition now at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre.

By Laurie Carmount, Curator

It's here! We are unpacking the huge crates just delivered to us. Filled with interesting panels, articles about the history of the toilet, chamber pots, commodes, a panel system discussing the history of public washrooms; an example of a cutaway toilet

(showing its working parts and the evolution of the toilet as we know it today) and an interactive toilet seat introduction with questions and answers plus much more. Who would have thought the toilet had such a background?

We've had chairs exhibit – understandably a significant piece of furniture. Now it's toilets – who'd have thought? Here are some highlights from the toilet's long and



noble history.

In earliest times people relieved themselves wherever they happened to be.

Ancient Romans built latrines over running water to carry off wastes to the Tiber River. They developed the art of plumbing and constructed underground sewers made of lead, earthenware, or stone.

During the Middle Ages, people in the British isles used chamber pots made of glass and metal at night. In the morning they emptied their chamber pots out the window.

Queen Elizabeth I used a portable toilet shaped like a box covered with red velvet and trimmed in lace with a lid and carrying handles. Her godson, Sir John Harrington, invented a flushing toilet for her in 1596.

There is much more to this...

Then there is the information just about toilet paper. I haven't seen the entire display yet so I'm not sure if this section starts with a leaf (!) but there is some very interesting 'adaptations'. And toilet paper holders. There is a wide variety of these as well.

In Haliburton area, and for most of rural Ontario, it hasn't been long since the outhouse has not been used. We've all had the pit toilet experience (nasty). Then there is also the 'thunderbox' for those way-in-the-bush campers. Everyone has a story because the toilet, and all that is involved, is so much apart of us – whether we care to acknowledge it or not.

See Outhouse Photography Display & More...

Along with the exhibition we will have an outhouse photography display and a miniature outhouse collection.

The gift shop will carry fun toilet theme items. We'll have a questionnaire too, like which way should the toilet paper come from: the top or the bottom? The answers to these many hilarious questions will be announced at the end of the exhibition. This exhibition will be at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre from July 18 to September 9. Admission is by donation. The Centre is located at 176 Bobcaygeon Road just over the bridge from downtown.



Don't Miss The Outhouse Races August 11!!

Have You Entered Your Team Yet???

Join us for Crapper Capers on August 11 at the Centre. If you haven't entered your team for the Outhouse Races and Craper Events you may still do so by calling the gallery at 286-3763 for more information. Crapper Capers day events and children / adult craft competitions will be listed on our website: www.mindenculturalcentre.com

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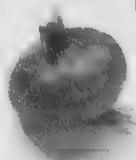
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In Berea, Ohio, dogs and cats out after dark were once required to wear taillights!



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Passport Requirements are Changing

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By M.P. Barry Devolin

Before I get to my main topic on the new passport regulations, I want to thank all those who helped to organise, attend and participate in the three seniors seminars I co-hosted with our local MPP Laurie Scott last week.

Laurie and I recognise that seniors are a dynamic resource, and communities all across Canada are reaping the benefits of their wisdom, knowledge and expertise.

That is why for the third year in a row, we held seniors seminars in Lindsay, Beaverton and Haliburton. The attendance was exceptional with approximately 150 people taking in the presentations and exhibits in Lindsay, 50 in Beaverton and 95 in Haliburton.

I want to especially thank Judy Muzzi, a Lindsay resident and past president of the United Senior Citizens of Ontario for all of her help, leadership and guidance. Without her, these events would not be as successful.

Changes include shorter form and process for renewals of passports & Canadian adult passport holders to act as guarantors for first time applicants

Shortly after the printing of my last column titled "Passport Wait Times Decreasing", the Minister responsible for Passport Canada, the Honourable Peter MacKay, announced a simplified passport renewal program and changes to the current guarantor policy.

Starting August 15, 2007, Canadians who meet certain eligibility criteria can renew their passport using a shorter form without submitting documentary evidence of citizenship, supplementary identification (such as a driver's licence or health card) and a guarantor declaration.

Under the renewal program, passport applicants will only be required to submit the shorter form along with two new photos, the application fee and their last passport.

Then, on October 2, 2007, a simpler guarantor policy will come into effect. It will allow most current Canadian adult passport holders to act as guarantors for first time applicants. Of course, each guarantor will have to be a Canadian citizen and have known the applicant for at least two years.

Currently, a guarantor is someone who holds a position in the community (such as a police officer, judge, pharmacist, pastor or school principal) who has known you for at least two years and can verify that the information on your application is true to their knowledge.

I am confident once these new changes are fully implemented, they will yield benefits, both to applicants and the security of our nation. As always, my staff and I will continue to assist with any passport questions or concerns you may have.



Lange on the Law *Donald Lange*

by **Donald J. Lange**
Barrister & Solicitor

Personal Injury Damages

When a person ("the plaintiff") sues another person ("the defendant"), the plaintiff seeks remedies from the court. Most of the remedies sought are to compensate the plaintiff financially. These remedies are called damages. One type of damages is general damages in a personal injury case which are awarded for intangible losses that a person suffers due to physical injuries allegedly caused by the defendant, such as pain and suffering and loss of enjoyment of life.

In 1978, a group of damages cases called "the trilogy cases" was decided by the Supreme Court of Canada. At that time, the court placed a ceiling of \$100,000 on personal injury damages. The court was very concerned that such awards could vary too greatly across the provinces and escalate beyond acceptable levels as had happened in the United States. Over time, the ceiling, or rough upper limit, has increased to take into account inflation. Thus, by the year 2000, the ceiling was in the range of \$275,000.

When a plaintiff sues for pain and suffering, the plaintiff must work within the confines of the rough upper limit and should not expect a lot of money for minor injuries. A person who ends up in a wheel chair with little, if any, use of his or her arms, could expect to be in the upper limit range while a slip and fall accident causing the plaintiff some temporary back strain would probably be worth no more than a couple of thousand dollars. Although it would appear that the trilogy cases set up a kind of "meat chart" analysis, the relevant question for the court is not simply how serious the plaintiff's injuries are but what function money can serve in the circumstances. The Supreme Court expressed it this way: "[The award] should not depend alone upon the seriousness of the injury but upon its ability to ameliorate the condition of the victim considering his or her particular situation. It, therefore, will not follow that, in considering what part of the maximum should be awarded, the gravity of the injury alone will be determinative. An appreciation of the individual's loss is the key and the "need for solace" will not necessarily correlate with the seriousness of the injury." The court also stated: "The award must be fair and reasonable, fairness being gauged by earlier decisions, but the award must also of necessity be arbitrary or conventional. No money can provide true restitution."

In the next column, I will be talking about other types of damages.

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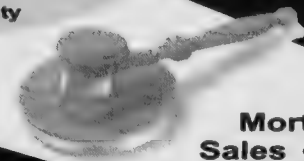
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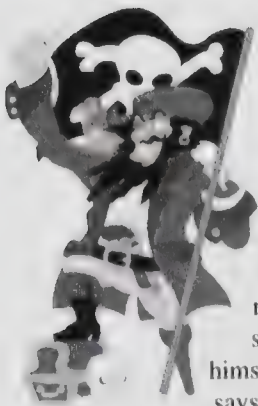
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Andrew Ashton and the Treasure of Nesbitt Cove

Magic is Afoot, and a Mystery is at Hand, in the First Book in Series for Kids

Andrew Ashton and The Treasure of Nesbitt Cove is written by Harcourt Park cottager Trevor Chase, and the first mystery concerning this first book in a series for kids aged 10 to 14 is Chase himself. Because you see Chase is not who he says he is. Who is he then? I don't know, he wouldn't tell me. It's a pseudonym, of nom de

plume. So it's up to you dear reader to find out, if you really want to. Here's some clues. 'Andrew's wife is named Janice. They live in Ottawa, though he grew up in Glengarry County. He's a retired minister.

It was fun for me to let the real identity of Trevor Chase remain a mystery, so Trevor it is for this story, and he started our interview with a story of his own. "Everyone has a story," Trevor begins with a cryptic grin. "I had an experience as a child that influenced me a lot. I was a farmer's kid with 2 brothers (more clues), and we discovered an old trunk up in the granary. The trunk belonged to a colonel in the Boer War, and it was being kept by our parents for a descendant of the colonel. Once we discovered the trunk we were eager to get into it. One day when our parents were away we did get into it. We found what we thought was a gold nugget, (really 'fools gold'), a bugle, and a horse harness, from the Boer War. I've always remembered that trunk."

Many years later Trevor found himself telling other stories to kids, in his capacity as a minister. Since his retirement, perhaps ruminating on his own childhood, he decided he'd like to write a story for children. What better place to start than with a secret trunk. "In my book there is a trunk, so my own trunk experience, was somewhat inspirational. But the book is not just about the trunk," he says, and then pauses. Like a true storyteller he waits until the question is put to him as to what else the book is about. After having cleverly piqued my interest, Trevor Chase proceeds to outline the adventures of his main character Andrew Ashton.

A Brief Outline, and the Message Behind "Andrew Ashton and the Treasure of Nesbitt Cove"

"The boy goes every year to visit his grandparents in the Nova Scotia. An ancestor of Andrews grandfather was a captain in a pirate ship, and his grandfather loves to spin tales of pirates and treasures. He tells Andrew that there's a rumor of a treasure, hidden somewhere around Nesbitt Cove. Andrew later finds a coin in an old trunk. This discovery leads to an adventure, and a mystery which takes Andrew into caves, and magically back in time. He ends up on pirate ship and he has to find his way back to the 21st

century and home," Trevor concludes.

"So then what?" I inquire. "Ah," Trevor says, "that would be giving the story away." Trevor kindly gives me an autographed copy of *Andrew Ashton and the Treasure of Nesbitt Cove*, so that I can find out what happens in my own sweet time. In the meanwhile he tells me some more tantalizing tit bits about Andrew, and some ideas behind the writing of the book. "He's a fun loving kid who enjoys playing tricks on people by using his imagination. He has to use all of the skills and creative powers he's learned by playing these tricks, in order to survive his adventures. I want to get across that young people are not powerless, and that their greatest power is their mind. Today many kids are passive, and I'm trying to get young kids to realize that if they use their minds

nothing is impossible." In other words, he continues, "don't let the conflicts before you limit your abilities. Use your imagination and your abilities to overcome the challenges." Sounds like good advice for adults as well.

Any good book has a conflict and a resolution, but Trevor assures me that his book "is not gory, bloody or violent. Though there are battles, this book does not encourage violence."

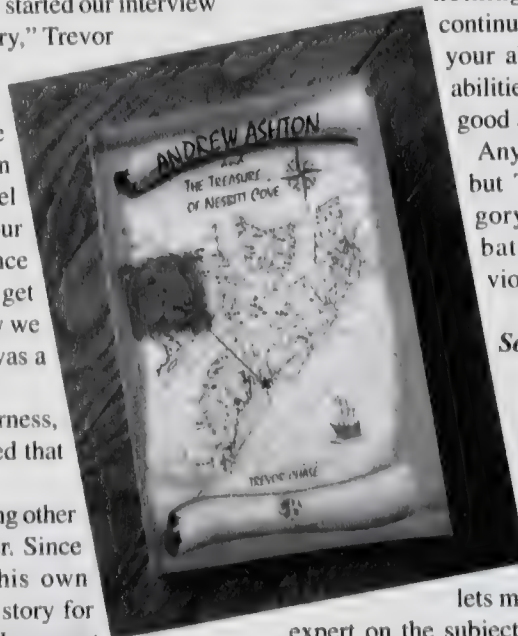
Some Advice For Aspiring Local Writers

Trevor Chase has managed to do what a lot of local writers wish they could do-get published. I mention to him that we have a writer's group in the Highlands, and that there is real talent in our communities. I ask him what advice he might have. He

lets me know that he doesn't consider himself an expert on the subject, as this book is the first one he has had published, but he kindly passes on what he has learned from the experience. "If a person is interested in writing a book the public libraries are a great resource," he says. "Some of them put on workshops, or they invite authors to talk about writing. There's also writers clubs. It's very difficult to be published in Canada-their (publishers) scope is very narrow." Maybe some luck is needed. "The very first night I attended a (writers club) class there was a CEO type from BAICO Publishing in Ottawa, and he was very supportive. BAICO seems to be open to new authors with good ideas. They have about 300 titles out."

Trevor wrote his book into his computer using Word Perfect. "A full manuscript is required. They (BAICO) have readers, and if they like you, you might get lucky," he says encouragingly. "They accepted my manuscript, and now I have an editor and illustrator provided by the company. I would encourage any writer to go for it. Have confidence in what you write and be a risk-taker."

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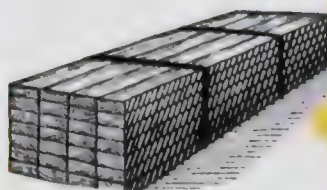


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Andrew Ashton Adventure Books Available Locally

Trevor Chase has the second Andrew Ashton book ready to come out this fall, with the third installment ready by Christmas. He is presently working on the fourth story. These great books for kids are available locally at Undercover Books in Haliburton Village, Agnew's General Store in Wilberforce, and at the Harcourt Park Marina. The books are also available at Ashley's Books in Bancroft, and can be ordered through any Chapters branch.

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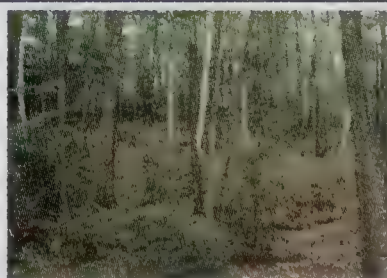
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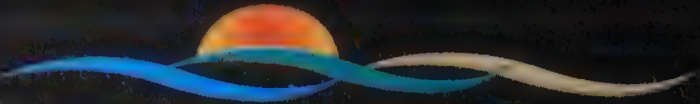


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For The Love of DANCE

DUSK DANCES

By Lea Harper

Local dancer and choreographer, Julie Barban brings "Beneath the Willow" to this summer's Dusk Dances in Head Lake Park

My love for dance began in the mid-1980s thanks to the Robert Desrosiers Dance Theatre whose exciting productions showcased at the DuMaurier Theatre in Toronto and were always a spectacular, mind expanding sensory feast. Modern dance has taught me a new language – one that engages not only the mind but the body. It is flowing human sculpture — poetry in motion. Having composed soundscapes for dance theatre and contributed some voicings for Desrosiers's Concerto in Earth Major, I saw how miraculously a dancer could interpret, embody and express the intent of a piece of music with something more powerful than words. The impact of such a performance on an audience is indescribable, liberating, creating a 'a lightness of being', a sense of having the spirit lifted to new heights. It's no co-incidence that wise old Plato insisted all illness and depression could be cured by drums and dancing.



Haliburton is fortunate to have Dusk Dances back for a second summer in Head Lake Park. For three nights only (July 19-22 from 7-9:30 p.m.), Dusk Dances will feature four works performed by professional artists and dance companies from Toronto and one from Haliburton — created and choreographed by Julie Barban who runs the Heritage Ballet.

Dusk Dances which combines contemporary and traditional dance, has had a successful twelve year run in parks across Canada. Close to 300 people of all ages attended last year's performance in Head Lake Park. "It's great exposure for dance and an amazing setting," Julie Barban tells me. Julie is working with ten young dancers for her production. The youngest is nine and sixteen year old Jordan Archer is the oldest.

Julie conceived the story — which has an Alice in Wonderland twist — and together with her troupe, created the piece. In Barban's "Beneath the Willow," the lines of reality and fantasy are blurred. A girl falls asleep reading and the characters from her book awaken her and take her on their adventure. Of course when she actually *does* wake up, everything evaporates but for one lingering vestige of her experience, which begs the question, 'was this really a dream?' In the world of art and magic the imagination reigns supreme and all things become possible.

Julie began working with her Dusk Dance participants back in April. She exposed the young dancers to other styles through a

series of workshops. Lynda Shadbolt taught them partnering yoga, Ballroom dance choreographers Dave and Bonny Mowatt added their repertoire of knowledge, Shelley King taught Expressive Arts and Clowning, Martha Randall introduced them to Nia and finally Julie took her group to Toronto to take part in a Japanese Odori workshop.

Last year, the local contingent led by dancer and choreographer, Daniela Pagliaro, presented "The Hat" which was "more physical theatre, Charlie Chaplinesque," Julie says. This year, Daniela has been asked to bring her show to Toronto, which is quite an honour.

Julie Barban has been dancing since she was four years old. She began with ballet, later learning Jazz and Tap. Heritage Ballet has been operating for six years and under Julie's tutelage, children and adults can learn to dance. Julie is busy with the studio from September to June, five days a week. When she's not teaching, she's doing Pilates and Nia and raising two children....oh yes, and producing and directing dance theatre productions like Beneath the Willow and The Nutcracker (with its cast of 70). This past year David Mills helped her produce The Nutcracker. The accomplished and indefatigable Julie Barban realized the production was too much for one person to handle.

A dancer is a consummate athlete as well as an artist. Julie is also an organizer and business woman. It's all about balance and discipline. But she clearly loves what she's doing. And when you love, all things are possible.

Dusk Dances promises to be a beautiful midsummer's night dream. Musical group, The Hemlocks will open. Bring a chair or a blanket and enjoy the show.

Performing in the local piece are Jordyn Archer, Carlin Dixon, Alex Purnell, Johanna Hutchings, Lauren Dixon, Emma Paul, Kameron Anderson, Katie Leach-Russo,

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Summerkiss Delivers Elegance & Flair

By Terrance Gavan

There's something about cottage country; something about the meandering pace and slow dance of the seasons; something about the tranquility.

Something, or maybe a convergence of somethings, convinced restaurateur Robin Wu to seek a summer refuge from the bustle and hype of Scarborough. He found that sanctuary in an idyllic little spot called Summerkiss, nestled next to Moore Falls and Gull Lake on Highway 35.

Summerkiss Restaurant (formerly Oldham's Inn) received its liquor license on Friday, June 29th just in time for the long weekend rush, and now Robin, along with his wife Cathy and 2 year old son Jayden are just enjoying the challenge and the ride. Cathy hails from Orillia, and that may be one of the somethings that brought the couple to Summerkiss.

For the past 20 years Robin has owned and operated the Mandalay Restaurant (Casual Fine Dining) in Scarborough, an upscale bistro with a dedicated staff and entrenched clientele.

Testimony to his fine skills as a manager, Wu is able to leave the restaurant in the capable hands of his long-term chef and staff to embark on this exciting new adventure.

"My chef at Mandalay has been with me from the beginning," says Robin. "And the rest of the staff has been with me for over 15 years, so I can spend most of my time here setting up."

The name Mandalay is a paean to Robin's roots. Mandalay is the second largest city in Myanmar (formerly Burma) and Robin and his family came to Canada from Burma in the early 70's to escape the politically unstable climate at that time.

Robin says he found his niche in life early. At fifteen he began his apprenticeship in the restaurant business.

"I worked at a number of restaurants... the Spaghetti Factory, The Keg and the Holiday Inn," says Robin.

That experience in restaurant management led to a decision in 1987-88 to open his own establishment "We opened Mandalay in 1988 and it's doing very well," says Robin.

Obviously well enough to afford Robin and Cathy the luxury to embark on this rather pleasant journey.

So far, though, Jayden seems to be enjoying the lion's share of the cottage country "perks" allows Robin.

Summerkiss Restaurant has dockside access to Gull Lake and the proximity to beaches and water sports means Jayden won't be spending too much time worrying about the day-to-day "effort" involved with starting a new business.

"He (Jayden) loves it here," laughs Robin. "He's having a blast!"

Robin allows that Jayden isn't the only one enjoying the sojourn to the new summer digs.

"This has such a different feel from the rat-race of downtown Toronto," smiles Robin.

Of course the onerous task of setting up a new business isn't all fun and games for the rest of the family. Robin allows that after taking possession of the Oldham Inn in January of this year, they made a decision to undertake some pretty major renovations.

"We're in this for the long term," says Robin "We have invested a lot of money and effort in refurbishing the place. We started in February and March and we did most of it ourselves."

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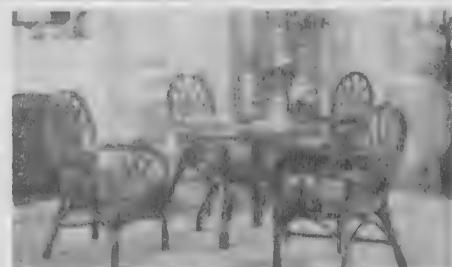


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As part of the overhaul, they also invested in a new state-of-the-art water filtration system. "I think people will be interested to know that we upgraded the water system above the required standards," says Robin.

Part of his vision is to provide a unique and interesting dining experience catering to an eclectic crowd. And of course, an assorted crowd is what you get in cottage country.

"We want to provide a place where people are comfortable," says Robin. "We have seating for 150 people and we want you to be relaxed, whether you're here for an evening of fine dining or here with the kids." Satellite Television is offered as an option in one of the dining areas as well.

The inside of Summerkiss is elegant yet simple and the decor of the three main dining areas bespeaks a very tasteful understatement. The ambience is chic and laid back. Outside the façade has a new bright color scheme. Later this month the front will be fenced in to accommodate a large patio area with a view of Moore Lake. "We'll have the outside patio available soon," explains Robin.

The patio will open off the main entrance that also contains another small dining alcove with access to a cappuccino and espresso bar. Takeout orders will also be available from the alcove area. All dining areas are open to some spectacular views.

The menu is varied and will also cater to a broad spectrum of dining tastes. "We want to make this accessible to everyone," says Robin. "Ball teams, cottagers, visitors to the area, we want to make everyone welcome."

Fresh Oysters on the Half Shell, Samosas, Coconut Shrimp or Grilled Marinated Beef are just a few of the selections available from the Starters Menu. Sandwiches range from the 6 Oz Burger to the Seared Salmon with jicama, tomato, pea shoots and wasabi mayo on Flat Bread.



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For the youngsters, a separate Children's Menu is also available.

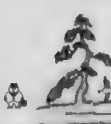
Robin allows that as a restaurateur he is always on the lookout for local suppliers. "Where available, we buy as much locally as we can at Mandalay and we plan to do the same here at Summerkiss," says Robin.

"Right now we are not serving breakfasts," says Robin, who adds that Summerkiss will be open from Noon to 10 PM seven days a week.

The Oldham Inn operated as a restaurant cum Bed and Breakfast and Robin allows that plans for the seven rooms in the upper section of Summerkiss are still under review.

We won't be opening the rooms this year, but we will be looking into renovating the rooms next year..

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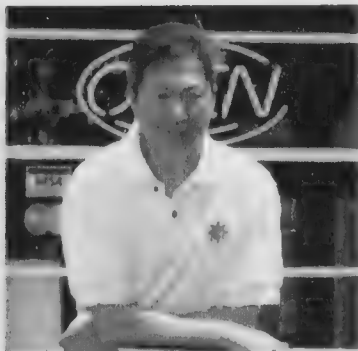
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Plans right now call for Summerkiss to be operated as a three-season destination.

"We opened on the long weekend in May and we will stay open until Thanksgiving Weekend this year," says Robin.

Of course new ventures come with their share of pleasant surprises. Summerkiss is no different.

"I was surprised at how many of my customers from Mandalay have cottages up here," chuckles Robin. "By sheer fluke some of my regular customers from Toronto have stopped in and they were as surprised to see me as I was to see them."

Of course that's what summer in Cottage Country is all about: meeting new friends and rekindling good times with some old acquaintances.

For now however, Robin is busy with his duties as head chef at Summerkiss and Cathy is involved with staff and training.

And Jayden?

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Twistee Treat An Old Favourite Has a New Owner

by George Farrell

Those people who like soft ice cream like it a lot. So it's not surprising that 'soft' aficionados were waiting with bated, or is that baited breath, for the summer re-opening of Twistee Treat in Minden. They waited and then they waited some more. Then they noticed work being done to the familiar 'throw back' structure, shaped like an ice cream cone. The place was being gutted and the exterior was being painted, and a young blond woman seemed to be in charge of things.

Canada Day was drawing near and then suddenly, to the joy of many, it was open. It was like it was never closed, as line-ups were quickly the norm'. Cones, shakes, splits, burgers, hot dogs and fries were gleefully consumed with relish, or chocolate sauce. And who was that sprightly young thing with the high-wattage smile, who was greeting and serving avid customers? That, my friends would be non other than new Twistee Treat owner Natalie Lauder.

Natalie is from the Scarborough Bluffs in the GTA, and she has been coming to the region for the last couple of years. "I have a friend up here," she says "and whenever I came up to visit him I saw the potential of the town. On one visit I saw the for-sale sign up on Twistee Treat." And that was it. She got in touch with the listing agent Bill Kulas, and before you could say brownie bottom black forest blast, Natalie had herself a Twistee Treat of her very own.

"I got in touch with the franchiser, Bob Wilson in London Ontario," says the beaming Natalie, and Twistee Treat gave me training. I had worked in the restaurant business before, but never as an owner." In a familiar refrain Natalie describes what prompted her to buy a business in the Highlands. "I would like to live here year round," she says. She has two children; son Tyler aged 6, and young daughter Tobi, just 2 years old. "The kids who live up here have a charmed life," Natalie continues. "My own kids love it up here too. Tobi loves kissing bugs," she laughs, "and Tyler's into anything mechanical that moves, like snowmobiles and 4 wheelers." Oh oh, seems like the young lad is quickly becoming a Highlander. "We're staying at my uncle's cottage for the summer, and we're looking for a house," Natalie says, envisioning the time when things are more settled for her and the kids.

Everything did not start off painlessly for Natalie in her take-over of the business. "The transfer went smoothly," she explains, "then everything that could go wrong did go wrong. I took possession on June 19th and I quickly realized that everything had to be taken out and redone; including the floor, ceiling, bathrooms, and the plumbing. Plus the whole place needed to be painted. There was sludge in the taps, the toilets were broken, and there were broken water lines. We replaced or fixed everything. All the equipment is brand new, and the only thing we kept was the potato peeler for our fresh-cut fries." She seems to have taken all the problems with a



shrug and a smile, as she launches into her philosophy of what she would like to see happen with her new business. "I'd like families to feel welcome here. I'm playing some 'oldies' on the outdoor speakers, and I'd like to have free movie nights out back. Nobody would have to purchase, but of course that's what we're here for if they want anything. There's so much potential here, where I'm located, and I'd really like to put Tastee Treat on the map as a destination, not just a stop," Natalie continues enthusiastically. "And I'd like to expand, and somehow utilize the waterfront-maybe make a small park. You know, after dinner it's nice to go someplace where kids can have fun, and where parents can relax and listen to the music, experience

the river, and enjoy their favourite cones."

There's certainly lots of variety in the cones, cups and waffles at Twistee Treat. There are Twisters which consists of ice cream

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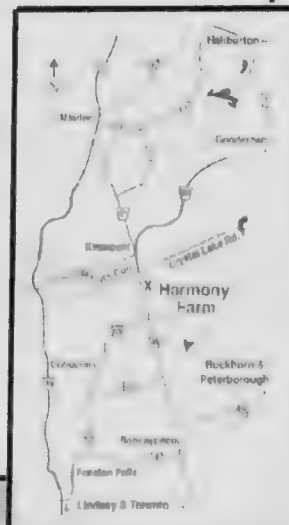
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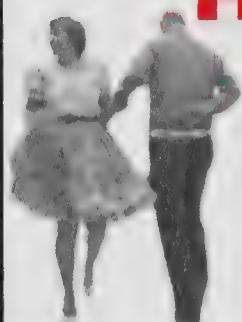
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Twistee Treat New Owner



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blended with your choice of candy or fruit. For examples there a peanut butter cup, strawberry short cake, or a Skor candy bar twister. There's Total Treats which are like sundaes, served in a parfait cup. You can get a brownie bottom black forest blast Total Treat, smors n'more or a banana split. Dirt Cups are really popular with kids. They consist of oreo cookie, chocolate syrup, and gummy worms, smothered over chocolate ice cream. Traditional sundaes include favourite hot fudge, and blueberry, raspberry, pineapple strawberry, caramel and butterscotch. "The twistees and the turtle cups are popular with adults," says Natalie. "The turtle cups are with pecans, caramel and chocolate sauce, just like the Turtles chocolate bars."

If you don't feel like ice cream, and want something more substantial, for lunch let's say, you can order burgers, hot dogs, or fresh-cut fries. Two locals, eating burgers at one of the picnic tables provided at the Twistee Treat site, proclaimed the burgers "excellent, the best in town." Just to prove the point they ordered two more.

Some things come to an end when the cold weather arrives, and Natalie knows that Twistee Treat is a seasonal business. Like many seasonal business operators she'll have to seek another source of income, and to that end she's studying for her real estate license. She's a woman who seems to know what it takes to succeed in these parts, and she is the first to admit that she can't do it all alone. "I've got a really supportive family," Natalie says, "who have helped me by just being there through all this."

So things are looking up for both Natalie Lauder, and those Highlanders who need their fix of soft ice cream. The Twistee Treat paint job has also helped in sprucing up the downtown core, part of the ongoing improvement campaign. So hike on over to beautiful downtown Minden, see the new banners lining the streets, treat yourself to one of Natalie's bright smiles, and a Tastee Treat goodie. Sit by the river and relax.

Tastee Treat is located at 119 Bobcaygeon Rd, in Minden (just over the bridge). Hours of operation are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday 11 am to 9pm, and Friday and Saturday 11 am to 10pm.

Pictured is New owner of Twistee Treat Natalie Lauder and the famous Twistee Treat cone

Art said he wanted to get more distance
on his golf shot so I told him to hit it
and run backward.

Inside Passage Links Haliburton and Burnaby, B.C.

The Inside Passage in B.C. has for generations been a place of refuge for Coastal inhabitants and travelers. For Dan Hill, Ruth Walmsley and Tim Bartoo *Inside Passage* also represents a journey of the heart - one which continues to be a source of inspiration, challenge and growth. Some listeners might call it East or West Coast folk. Some might say it has a Celtic ring to it. One thing for sure, its easy-listening folk music and it will warm your heart. The songs on this self-titled CD weave a musical tapestry that reflects the group's love for the land, the sea, and one another.

Dan became Ruth and Tim's neighbor in 2002. Shortly thereafter Dan performed a few songs at a community music event, and so began the meeting of some kindred musical spirits. The three of them began getting together regularly for jams and the occasional appearance at Coffee Houses in and around Vancouver. Since then, they have been blending their musical talents writing, arranging and performing their own original songs, as well as favourite covers. They have a similar musical aesthetic, love of harmonies, and a general passion for singing and playing music. These qualities are evident as one listens to the CD, as well as in their live performances.

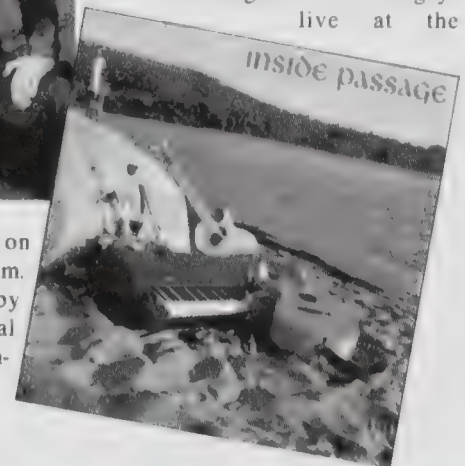
In 2004, the group settled on the name *Inside Passage*. Early in 2005 they acquired some recording equipment and the three of them undertook the recording and mixing of their first CD of original music. Tim's experience as an audio engineer contributed significantly to the group's ability to produce a CD with a professionally tuned "home-grown" sound. The completion of the CD was celebrated on Nov. 4, 2006 at a couple of lively CD release parties, held simultaneously in Burnaby, B.C. and Ingoldsby.



Outdoors Association Hatchery, so some lucky folks in the Highlands have already had a chance to hear them at a live performance.

CD's are available for only \$15.00 at Golden Stationers and County Sign and Display in Minden, also at The Photo Shop in Haliburton. If you find these places are sold out, just call Dan's Mom and Dad, Keith and Mildred Hill at 286-1897.

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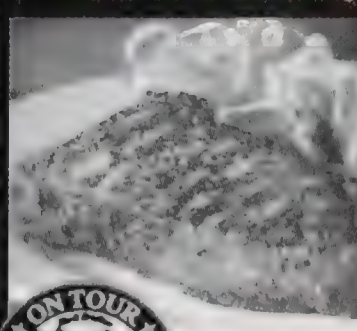


Carnarvon Bowl on August 3. From 7 - 9 p.m. Admission is by donation to the local food banks - bring a non-perishable food item.

Plan to Attend An Evening of Folk Music at the Carnarvon Bowl featuring Inside Passage - August 3 starting at 7 - 9 p.m. Admission by donation to the local food banks.

Inside Passage has quite a strong connection to Haliburton Highlands. Dan was born and raised in Lochlin, and no matter how far away he has traveled (his career has taken him to many continents) one of his favourite ways to reconnect with his roots here is to visit the family sugar shack. Ruth's connection with Haliburton began around 2000 when her father, Omar Walmsley, moved here along with his wife, Liz Doble. During the five years that Omar and Liz lived in Haliburton, Ruth and Tim and their two children, Shaun and Thea, enjoyed many visits with them at their house in the village as well as at their cottage on Glamour Lake. In 2005 Ruth, Tim and Dan combined their family visits with a gig at the Haliburton

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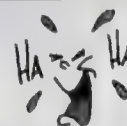
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A little girl was at her first golf lesson when she asked an interesting question: "is the word spelt p-u-t or p-u-t-t?" she asked the instructor. "p-u-t-t is correct," he replied. "put means to place a thing where you want it. Putt means merely a vain attempt to do the same thing."

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New Art Tour Set For Long Weekend of Aug 3rd 4th and 5th

by George Farrell

When friends sit around and talk all kinds of good things can happen. When there's some red wine flowing to let loose the creative minds of creative people, well who knows what might happen. In this instance friends and fellow artists Tom Green, Jane Selbie and Barbara Joy Peel were discussing the possibility of a small artists' tour that could be a little different. They knew that the August long weekend was the busiest weekend in the county, so they decided to have a tour on that weekend. Makes sense, no? But what to call this tour? Out came the thesaurus for some ideas, and when Jane got as far as "Tour de force," Barbara, raising a glass, immediately morphed the phrase into Tour De Forest. A whoop of agreement from the others cemented the idea. A puzzle was solved, and a name was born.

Tour De Forest. It does have a nice ring to it. Besides it has a great deal of significance to Tom Green. "Without the energy that the trees produce a lot of us couldn't create the art that we do. It may sound a little corny but we believe it to our souls," he says passionately. Well of course artists are passionate people, but to

make ends meet artists also have to occasionally sell their work. So was the Tour de Forest just another venue where participants could move their wares? Far from it, as it turns out. Not that there's anything wrong with that. "Look, people who are up here on the long weekend in August are not necessarily the same people who are up here in the fall. It's a different demographic, and a captive audience," says Tom. Also much of the art you can see in August won't be there in October." While recognizing that taking advantage of the busiest weekend of the year makes good economic sense, Tom points out that "the Tour De Forest is unique in the county, and offers some things that other tours don't."



A Different Kind of Tour

"It's derived from a sociable nucleus," Tom says. The idea is to have guest artists at the studios. Some very good artists don't have studios, so they aren't eligible for some of the bigger tours. Also on the bigger tours artists may be required

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to produce a specific volume of work. "Some artists produce less work than others," he states. Tom has nothing but kind words for the extremely successful and established Haliburton County Studio Tour, of which he and several other artists on the Tour De Forest, are members. The East Haliburton Studio Tour, held later in August is also a success, and is now entering its fifth year of operation.

"For this year anyway, the Tour De Forest is a small tour," Tom explains. "The great thing about it though, is that in addition to providing artists who are not eligible for other tours the opportunity to show their stuff, people can also do the tour in one day. Not only that, but because of the guest artists, they get to see just as many artists and their works."

Part of the Tour De Forest involves the Newfangers Art Festival. This is the brainchild of Tiffany Howe. Newfangers features the works of artists who are under 30 years of age; a group that is under-represented in our galleries, and has trouble getting on the regular tours, mainly because many of them don't have their own studios yet. "People can get to see the art of tomorrow before most of the artists are even exhibited in our galleries. At the Newfangers location for the Tour De Forest, there will be approximately 30 artists represented," Tom says enthusiastically. "And there will be musical performances too; as many as 10 musicians will perform at Newfangers over the 3 days. The concept of music at the studio locations is something relatively new for studio tours in the county, and at Tom's studio he is having a drum maker demonstrating various drumming techniques on a variety of instruments. Blues and Jazz vocal stylist Zoe Chilco will be singing and playing on Friday August 3rd at the studio of Jane Selbie. Also performing at Jane's will be guitarist Bob Froese. Not including the Newfangers, the rest of the Tour De Forest will represent 20 artists, for a total of 50 that you can see in one day.

"The biggest concern was having enough money to do the flyers, and signage on the highways," Tom explains. "And then there's advertising, and the cost of printing the flyers." But all seems to be coming together nicely. Donna Bisschop did the silk screening for the highway signs, and also designed the Tour De Forest logo. The logo will be the marker signs located on the highway which will identify the location of each studio. The flyers are available at many locations throughout the county, including The Rails End Gallery in Haliburton and the Cultural Centre in Minden.

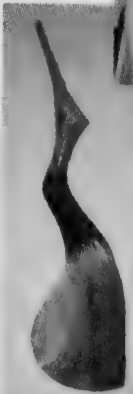
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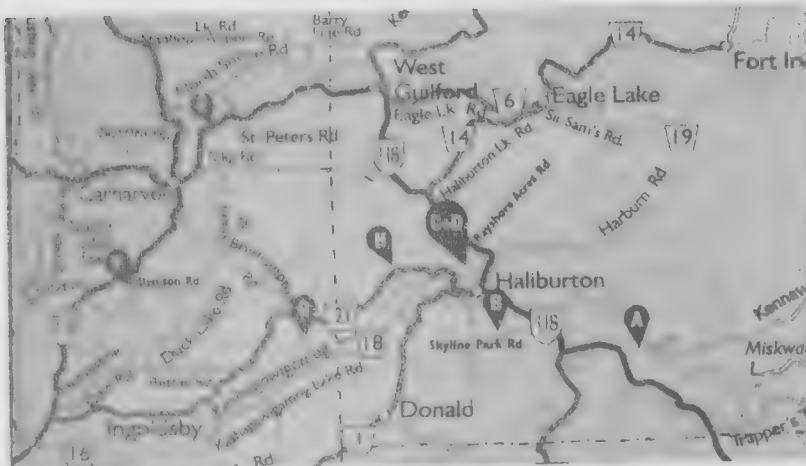
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Pictured with story: Tom Green works with stained glass in his studio - Artist Jane Selbie; & Sculpture in Wood by Terry Adair of Twisted Pine Studio

Also Pictured is the map showing the location of the participating studios.

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Ethic Tree Creations has organization affiliations with The Ontario

Forestry Association, the Ontario Woodlot Association and, the International Society of Arboriculture. For a still-young man of 28 Shawn realizes there is a market for his skills. He is also smart enough to realize that he's the 'new kid on the block.' "Sure, there's competition," he says, "but there's a mutual respect with all related companies. Companies work together, and sub-contract due to knowledge, experience, equipment and job load. Not everyone has the same equipment."

Yes, Shawn Bloom is a man whose star is on the rise. He's also a person who seems to care about the environment, and pleasing his clients. He realizes, in his business especially, it's not just about the bottom line. "We want to educate our clients and answer their questions, not just do the job and give them a bill," he says.

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By Terrance Gavan

Newly broken earth and cement footings stand in stark bas-relief against a sandy slope. The new foundation pinpoints the culmination of developer Gerry Kowalski's 15-year dream.

Silver Beach Lifestyle Community, a groundbreaking new development, located on the sparkling shores of Lake Kashagawigamog, now has its first firm foothold in reality. The new model home, a vanguard for the 59-unit, 18-acre development, is taking shape fast and Kowalski plans to have it ready for at least partial display by the end of August.

It's a tight deadline, but then again, Kowalski has been living life to his own very stringent timetable since taking possession of the Silver Beach Trailer Resort four years ago.

Deadlines come and deadlines go and Kowalski has greeted each challenge with aplomb and a self-assured optimism.

Plainly put, Kowalski revels in the charged atmosphere. Kowalski, like the famous cereal, is all snap, crackle and pop, a great combination for a guy who has had to fight hard to push this dream to fruition.

"I've had a long-time vision," says Kowalski. "I first came here with my wife and kids 15 years ago and we had a trailer on Silver Beach.

"I said to myself back then that this would be a perfect spot for a communal area," explains Kowalski as we walk around the grounds. It's obvious that he has never needed the elaborate site plan and detailed topographical artist's rendering of the project to see his dream today.

He points at the sandy base of land and looks upward to the contoured pitch leading to the back of the property. The sandy base is an anomaly here in the Haliburton Highlands and it was the lack of dense bedrock that first made Kowalski aware of the possibilities way back in the early 1990's.

"Even back then I knew there was something special about this place and I was already thinking... lifestyle community," smiles Kowalski. "So just over four years ago, when it went on the market I approached an old friend and we were able to buy the property."

Kowalski and "old friend" and fellow Silver Beach camper, Ben Kopolovic jumped at the chance to plunge into the deep end, entering a 50-50 partnership that is now bearing the first full ripe fruits of success.

"I've known Ben for over 20 years and he listened to me tell of my vision and he decided then that he wanted to be my partner," says Kowalski.

It's a vision that Kopolovic shares today.

"We've taken inspiration from the setting with the rock formations, ponds, trails and panoramic vistas" allows Kopolovic. "We fell in love with the natural habitat and want the development to compliment the area".

For the past four years Kowalski and Kopolovic have kept the campgrounds running with some front-line familial support. Gerry's wife Chris is now running the family graphic arts and printing business in Toronto, while her mom and dad have been running the trailer park and campgrounds.

The trailers and last vestiges of the 50-year-old Silver Beach Trailer Park and campgrounds will all disappear in September to make room for the roads and water infrastructure construction. The development will go up in three phases. The model home now under construction is the first house in phase one of the development.

Kowalski makes his way down to the famous sandy beach on Lake Kashagawigamog and there's a spring in his step as he points to the capped wells. "We have the wells in place and a state-of-the-art water treatment plant will be installed," says Kowalski, who adds that the new development will also be on the municipal sewer system.

That was an important piece of the puzzle and it helped as Kowalski undertook the arduous process of claiming the zoning, environmental and other approvals for the development.

All that is now a fleeting memory and Kowalski has both feet set solid on the terra firma of today. "We have the paperwork and we are ready to sell," says Kowalski.

To that end Silver Beach Development has opened a sales office at 195 Highland

Street located on the lower level of the Village Barn. The Silver Beach Sales Office will be open from Wednesday to Friday from noon to 4 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Customer Care and Service Representative Brenda Wehmeier will be greeting prospective customers at the sales center equipped with site plans, artist renderings and brochures.

"Activity in the sales office and on the phones has been brisk," says Kowalski. "We have had a lot of exposure recently."

And that may be a bit of an understatement. Along with an explosion of interest from the local media outlets, Kowalski and Wehmeier have been fielding calls from a growing phalanx of national media.

The Toronto Globe and Mail printed an article about the Silver Beach Lifestyle Community in the Real Estate Section on Friday, July 13. And last Thursday Kowalski was invited to the Toronto Studios of BNN to film a short segment about the novel project.

The Toronto Star and various and sundry other lifestyle publications have also done or plan to do stories as well. A website is also up at www.silverbeachdevelopments.com.

The lynchpin for all of this interest rests with the vision, the locale and the concept.

Seemingly nothing has been left to chance and that's due to Kowalski's penchant for walking the tight line between the dream and the reality.

So when it came to pinning down the dream, Kowalski and Kopolovic turned to the award-winning design firm of Ian Malcolm Architects. They were asked to design units that would fit into the overall vision of the lifestyle community and Kowalski is happy with the result.



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The homes boast stone and wood exteriors with plenty of windows for that cottage feel. Generous lofts and walkouts supply extra space for offices, guest rooms, dens and extra washrooms.

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He also allows that options include the possible installation of floored heating in selected areas like bathrooms and kitchens. Air conditioning is standard in all units. "Ceramic tile in the foyer, bathroom and kitchen is also standard," says Kowalski.

Kitchens will also come equipped with one and a quarter inch solid granite countertops as standard fare. The kitchens will also come replete with stainless steel GE appliances. Propane stoves will be an option. GE will also be providing front loading and energy efficient washers and dryers.

Because the new gated community will be seeking out the recently retired or soon to be retired demographic, the



washers and dryers will also be located on the main floor for ease of access.

Wehmeier will be looking after all of the fine-tuning with regard to broadloom, countertop and appliance selection. Each buyer will be able to select appliances and accoutrements to match individual tastes.

Other features include nine-foot high cathedral ceilings and of course

the standard propane fireplaces.

The development is divided into 36 detached bungalofs and bungalows and 23 executive style town homes. Phase I construction is slated to start in the spring of 2008. All houses are designed by Ian Malcolm Architects and all are situated to blend effortlessly into the two-tiered

contours of the property. A holding pond will be located near the very back of the 18 acre site with some of the houses on the upper tier facing onto the scenic pond. The pond will be serviced by a circulating pump and will serve as a holding pond for use in case of fire emergency.



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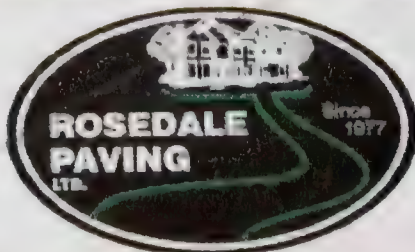


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Who Dun-it?? *You Be The Detective...*

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THE CASE OF THE INTERRUPTED LAUNDRY

Inspector Matthew Walker of the Royston Police only occasionally defeated Thomas P. Stanwick, the amateur logician, in their weekly chess game. It was therefore with particular satisfaction that the inspector lit a cheap cigar and seated himself in an armchair by the fireplace in the Royston Chess Club lounge one October evening. "The victory is yours, Matt," Stanwick said resignedly as he sat down in an armchair on the other side of the hearth and filled his pipe. "Well done."

"I accept your congratulations," replied Walker. "You know, my boy Peter is involved in scholastic chess."

"How old is he now, nine?" asked Stanwick. "Someday you'll have to get him over here to the club. So what's new with you? Any interesting cases?"

"A murder, for one. A maid with a cleaning service arrived last Monday morning as usual at the home of Louis Jepson, a professor of French literature at Dickson College. The front door was unlocked. Jepson often left it that way. In the laundry room off the kitchen, the maid found the professor shot dead. She ran screaming out to her van and used her cell phone to call us."

"Jepson," Stanwick mused. "Didn't he write a couple of books on the elder Dumas?"

"Could be," said Walker with a shrug.

"Anyway, this laundry room was a mess. Jepson had been shot twice and lay in a pool of blood in front of the dryer, clutching an undershirt and some handkerchiefs that were still in an overturned basket of laundry in front of him. A basket of unwashed colored laundry was upright on the floor beside him. The washing machine was empty, but a load of dry whites was in the dryer. Doc Pillsbury figures he died sometime Saturday morning. A partly packed suitcase was on the bed upstairs."

"Was he coming or going?"

"Going. I talked with Oliver Giscard, the head of his department, who said

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Jepson was scheduled to leave on Saturday for a Dumas conference in Paris this week. The two had a phone conversation on Friday evening, and Giscard said Jepson sounded fine and unworried. They talked about the conference and covering Jepson's classes."

"Do his other colleagues confirm this?"

"Yes, at least those we've spoken to so far. One of the assistant professors, Michelle Blanc, told us that Jepson had asked her to pick up some student papers to grade for him while he was away. Says she stopped by his house a little after eight on Saturday morning as he had asked, but got no answer to the doorbell. The door was unlocked, so she went into the hall and called out. No answer."

"Was his car there?" asked Stanwick.

"She didn't see it, but the garage door was closed and had no window. She left and tried to call him a few times over the weekend, but got no answer. Finally she figured he had left for Paris early, and had made other arrangements about the papers and not bothered to tell her."

"Did you find any student papers in his house?"

"Yes, a good stack. And his car was in the garage. All consistent with his being dead when she arrived."

"Interesting case." Stanwick drummed his fingers on the arm of the chair. "Any motive uncovered yet?"

"No. He didn't have much money. He was divorced, lived alone, and led a quiet life. Even for a professor, he was considered absent-minded."

"Did he die immediately when shot?"

"Pillsbury says no, though Jepson didn't live long. After collapsing, he apparently reached into the basket and grabbed the undershirt and hankies deliberately, even though the other basket was nearer to him."

"Why? Do you think he was trying to identify his killer?"

"Hey, it happens. He must have known he couldn't make it into the kitchen to grab paper and a pencil. Why underwear and handkerchiefs, though? Should we suspect his dry cleaner? His cleaning lady?"

"Neither, I think." Stanwick fingered the tip of his mustache.

"The clothes in the other basket were handier if he just wanted to apply something to his bleeding. If we do postulate that his action was indeed a dying message, though, I think you missed the main point of it. The identity of the prime suspect is clear."

WHO WAS STANWICK'S PRIME SUSPECT?

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Bell," says Kowalski. "All of the units will be pre-wired and ready to go with full access to hi-speed Internet and High Definition Television along with their phone connections."

And of course Silver Beach wouldn't be Silver Beach without access to Lake Kashagawigamog and the Five Lake Chain.

The development will include dock access for the residents, utilizing an environmentally friendly E-Z Docking System. Slips will also be available. And of course the beach with its unique sandy base and shallow contours will remain as the focal point for the development.

The final piece of the puzzle is the clubhouse, which will be located near the entrance to the development.

"The clubhouse will be a communal area and a good place for all sorts of events," says Kowalski.

The 5000 square foot Clubhouse is designed with healthy and active lifestyles in mind. It will feature a large wrap-around elevated deck with a screened area overlooking the Lake and the beach. It will also have a ground level walkout patio with a large common BBQ area.

"The grand hall will include a media Center with a large screen High Def TV, fireplace, seating area and access to a fully equipped kitchen," says Kowalski. "It will be perfect for birthdays, celebrations or a communal gathering," he adds.

Downstairs a games room will feature a pool table, shuffleboard and darts along with a well-equipped fitness center with an assortment of weights, treadmills and elliptical trainers.

"We'll also have a sauna and a fully equipped health and wellness room with access to massage therapy," says Kowalski. He allows that they will also preserve some open green space and forest at the back of the property for hikers.

Several golf courses, access to health facilities in Haliburton, Nordic and alpine skiing in the winter and a blossoming reputation as a four season destination all conspire to make the Silver Beach Lifestyle Community a very tempting option for retiring baby-boomers.

"We're very excited about how this is all coming together," says Kowalski. "We expect to be very busy in the sales office this summer."

"This is a great situation for both the new residents and the municipality," says Kowalski.



"The spin-off from the influx of 59 new residents will amount to millions over the years in taxes for the municipality and in business for the merchants in Dysart," says Kowalski.

"Because of the nature of the development and the clientele we'll be attracting we feel that this is just a win-win situation. These new residents will become part of the fabric of this community and I'm looking forward to being a part of it," says Kowalski, who intends to retire here with Chris at some point.

"This has been fifteen years in the making... and I am living my dream," smiles Kowalski.

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Crime Flashback

by Max Haines

Letter to the Law

Strange as it may sound, many murderers have an uncontrollable urge to stay close to the investigation into their crimes. Some have been known to phone and even write to the police.

Before the turn of the century, Jack the Ripper wrote taunting letters to the authorities, advising them that he would strike again.

In more recent times, Richard Loeb became totally fascinated with detectives who were searching for clues into the murder of Bobby Franks in Chicago's infamous "compulsion" case. Loeb turned out to be one of the youngster's killers.

Today we will look at the tragic death of a young English girl, Sarah Gibson, and her murderer's urge to correspond with the police.

Sarah was born into the horse racing set. Her father, Col. John Gibson, was a famous trainer and breeder of racehorses. One of her brothers was an accomplished rider.

The family lived in the village of Lambourn in Berkshire, England. They led the good life, but Sarah wanted something different. Horses and the pleasant social life of the village didn't satisfy her.

**Murderer
couldn't
keep his nose
out of
investigation**

At 19, Sarah told her mother and father that she wanted a career in the hotel business and planned on achieving success without their influence.

Sarah left the genteel life of Lambourn to strike out on her own in London. Her first job was that of a domestic at the Norfolk Hotel in the West End.

A few months later, Sarah was successful in obtaining employment with the Royal Automobile Club as assistant housekeeper. This was a giant step forward in Sarah's dogged determination to carve out a career for herself.

The Royal Automobile Club had a staff of 250 employees, of which 15 lived on the premises. Sarah was one of the huge club's live-in employees. The prestigious club had a 200-seat restaurant, 15,000 paid members and maintained 80 bedrooms for male guests only.

In 1971, the Gibson family moved from Lambourn to a beautiful restored farmhouse near Cheltenham. Sarah spent many weekends with her family. She was happy in her work and enjoyed living in London.

On Sunday, July 2, 1972, Sarah had the day off. It was one of those weekends she chose to stay in the city.

That evening, Sarah had dinner in the staff dining room. A little after 7:30 p.m., she was seen strolling over to the Fun City Bingo Hall, located about 300 yards from the club. Two hours later, she was seen leaving the bingo hall, but no one saw her return to her room.

NUDE BODY ON BED

Next morning, a housemaid looked in on Room 519 on the fifth floor and found Sarah's nude body on her bed. Her hands and feet were tied. A pink nightgown was knotted around her neck and a handkerchief had been stuffed in her mouth. She had been raped.

Detectives didn't take long to ascertain that Sarah didn't have a steady boyfriend. She had been a hard-working, happy young woman who enjoyed the sights of London. Her movements were traced up until she left the bingo hall, but there the trail abruptly stopped.

Because nothing seemed to be disturbed in the room, it was felt that Sarah might have known her killer and had been attacked without warning.

When a list of Sarah's possessions was compiled, it was learned that several pieces of jewelry were missing. Gold earrings, a travelling clock, a silver locket, a gold charm bracelet and mother-of-pearl cigarette lighter had been taken from the room. On July 7, the bracelet and lighter were sold to a Soho jeweller.

Scotland Yard detective Chief Supt. James Neville believed that robbery might have been the motive, with rape and murder an afterthought.

On the other hand, he knew it was quite possible that a cunning killer could have taken the jewelry from the room to throw the police off the trail.

Of the 80 bedrooms available to males at the club, only 17 had been occupied on the night of the murder.

It was decided to check the fingerprints of not only the occupants of these 17, but those of everyone who had stayed at the Royal Automobile Club since Sarah joined the staff. Their prints would be checked against prints found in Sarah's room.

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On July 9, Supt. Neville received a surprise in the mail. It was an unsigned letter from the killer. It read:

"I thought you might like some help in the case as it seems you are approaching it from the wrong angle.

"I did not like the idea of Sarah's departure but it couldn't be helped, but what can be done is to stop it happening again.

"I found a strange sense of power in depriving a body of life, though Sarah was a mistake.

"On the night Sarah died I felt no sense of remorse or guilt, so hurry up and catch me. I won't give myself up for incarceration because that would destroy me as I have a great longing for life."

Had this letter not been written, it is doubtful if the killer of Sarah Gibson would ever have been identified.

Fingerprints on the letter were checked with prints on file with Scotland Yard. The prints matched those of 25-year-old David Charles Richard Frooms, a ne'er-do-well who had served several terms in prison for theft, robbery and indecently assaulting a 13-year-old girl.

Frooms was located and taken into custody. He was asked to write a few words on paper. Handwriting experts compared these words to the handwriting on the letter sent to Supt. Neville. There was no doubt about it - both had been written by Frooms.

When confronted by this overwhelming evidence, Frooms blurted out, "I am glad you have got me. I killed her, strangled her with something she was wearing."

When asked if he had had sexual intercourse with his victim, he replied, "She was dead then."

In December 1972, Frooms was tried for murder in London's famed Old Bailey.

He pleaded not guilty, claiming he had no recollection of the killing itself, although he remembered climbing through an open window and making his way up to the fifth floor looking for something to steal.

He saw a bedroom door ajar and walked quietly into the room. Sarah was asleep on the bed. He took whatever appeared to be valuable.

When Sarah stirred, he stuffed something in her mouth and tied her hands and feet with her underclothing.

He claimed to remember having his hands around her throat, but nothing more. He further claimed that he had no recollection of

intending or wanting to kill the girl. In addition, he had no memory of having written the incriminating letter to police.

Despite his lawyer's insinuation of diminished responsibility, it took the English jury only half an hour to bring in a guilty verdict. David Frooms was sentenced to life imprisonment.



Photo: Sarah Gibson's hands and feet were tied. A pink nightgown was knotted around her neck and a handkerchief had been stuffed in her mouth. She had been raped.

Bad Predictions

Can I Take That Back Now....

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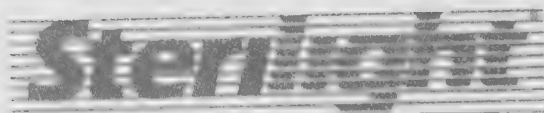
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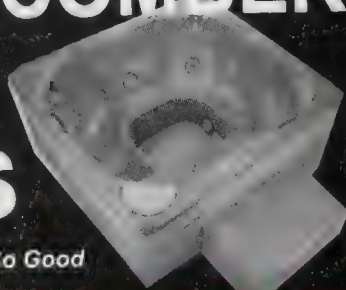
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Elva Bates And A Journey Through Glamorgan's Past

By George Farrell

The date 07/07/07, according to the Toronto Star, is the luckiest day of the millennium. It was on that date Elva Bates hosted a very successful lunch held at the Gooderham Community Centre. The lunch was in celebration of Elva's book *A Journey Through Glamorgan's Past*. "It was a very successful lunch for family and people who helped me the most," Elva tells me, as we begin what was for me a very informative and interesting talk with a woman who has become almost a living legend in her part of the world. "There were 29 people present," she continues, "including my three children Gayle 57, Patsy 52, and Doug, who just turned 50." Elva's youngest of five grandchildren Ryan aged 20, was also present. "It was strictly informal, and people who didn't know each other had the opportunity to get acquainted." During that informal get-together Elva experienced the reverence and love that people have for her, and her book. "I couldn't believe it," she says, still somewhat surprised and touched. "People got up and talked about how valuable they thought the work was. It just about broke me up." Anybody who bought a book that day was able to get it signed personally by Elva. Family and friends were invited for 12 noon to partake in a buffet-style meal put on by more friends, who also looked after beverages. "That went very smoothly," says Elva. "The public were banging on the doors at 1:30 sharp," she laughs. "The rush was over by 2:30. I sold about 80 books



there and sold another 6 after I got home. Eighty six books for a local book signing? That's incredible, and a tribute to the obvious esteem which the people have for the author, as well as for the rich history of the Corporation of the Township of Glamorgan - the focus of the book.

I wanted to experience some history first-hand by talking to Elva about her own life, and she didn't disappoint. "I was born on South Lake in the house where Andre Lapine lived," she began in a revelatory and eye-opening introduction. "The house which was very large was owned by Jessie and Billy Hamilton, who were friends of my parents Maggie and Ab Fox. Billy farmed and Jessie ran the house as a tourist home. Andre Lapine and his wife Gertrudia, who was bed ridden, rented a suite year round-and Mrs Hamilton took care of them for years."

"Dad went anywhere to get work and I've lived in lumber camps, and we lived at Minnecock Lake, and that's where I started school at SS # 3 Glamorgan," Elva recalls. "We then moved on to the old Buckhorn Road which went from Haliburton to Buckhorn." At that time "I went to school SS#3 Dysart, until grade 10, and then to Haliburton High School for grade 11. I dropped out when I was 16, and I got married the following year in 1947." I expressed surprise at marriage at such an early age, but Elva just laughed and said "all the girls were doing it. My husband was Harry Bates," she said, "and we lived together with his parents in Tory Hill. We then all moved back to the Bates homestead in Cardiff. Harry and his father worked in the bush cutting wood during the winter, and in the summer they worked at Finlay's Saw Mills in Tory Hill. Harry and I eventually bought a little house near the Canada Radium Mine in Cardiff, where he went to work on the Cardiff Fire Tower. In 1953 or '54 the chief ranger for the Gooderham and Area Lands and Forests recommended that Harry attend the Ranger school in Dorset, where the Frost Centre is now. Gayle and Patsy were both born while we lived on the farm. Harry was eventually transferred to Minden Headquarters and we again found a little house in Tory Hill where we lived for a couple of years."

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Fascinated, I listened and wrote like mad, not wanting to interrupt the flow. "In 1957 we again found a little house and moved, this time to Gooderham, into an area that was locally called Snob Knob," Elva exclaimed, and this time it was me who cracked up. "Our son Doug was born a month and a half later," she continued, and we bought this house just down the hill from Snob Knob in 1968." So, a young woman with three kids was at home while hubby worked. Many women back then, or now for that matter, would have been quite content with that scenario; after all, bringing up a family is a full time occupation of its own. But it wasn't enough for Elva, who wanted to bring in "some extra pin money." She did so by becoming the village seamstress. "People got to know me, and Margaret Pickens who was the library supervisor when the library first opened in 1965, asked me to be her assistant. Shortly after that, Vivian Dovell, who was the post mistress asked me to work for her. Then May Pickens, the secretary of the school board was ready to retire, and she asked me to apply for the job. Nobody else applied, and I got it. After that, Victoria Agnew, who had just been elected Reeve of the Township of Glamorgan encouraged me to apply for the clerk treasurer position, which I subsequently got." Elva held that position until Dec 31, 1993, but what an incredible rise from a young seamstress in 1958 to the clerk treasurer of the Township a mere nine years later. In the fall of '94 Elva was encouraged to run for Reeve, and was told "I'd better, or I'd be run out of town." She laughs easily at the recollection. "I was Reeve for 2 terms," she continues, "but the second term I had to resign a half year early due to health reasons. I was also the warden of the County in 1999 and that (holding down two posts) just about did me in."

In 2001 Elva started the Gooderham Community Action Group. "We do things in and for the community," she tells me. "Things like recommendations to the council of that time. We had craft sales, with the proceeds going to the kid's committee to purchase items for the baseball team and youth groups. We help with funding for organizations that are already doing things, like children's groups and the theatre group. With the support of the Gooderham Community Action Group, and working closely with Sabina Lorbach and a few local artists and artisans, Elva was instrumental in starting the Highlands East Arts & Crafts Tour, now in its 5th year and renamed the Highlands East Studio Tour.

Researching The History Of The Township Of Glamorgan

In 2004 Elva was successful in dealing with U-Links and Trent University

students to do historic research, because "I decided it was time that somebody wrote the history of the Township of Glamorgan," as the area was called prior to amalgamation. "I was just learning to research, and Dallyn Pickens, husband of May was very interested, and he collected 20 or so genealogies for me from places as far away as Alberta and Michigan, and points in between. He has a wonderful memory and he was able to help me with the history itself, and make suggestions for where else to go for research. I accessed Trent University archives, the Trent Valley archives, the Lang Pioneer Village, which houses the old records for Peterborough County, The Minden Hills Municipal Office, and the 1863 minute book for Snowdon and Glamorgan townships. I spent many hours in the Highlands East Municipal office reading minute books from 1874-

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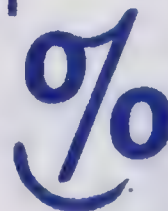
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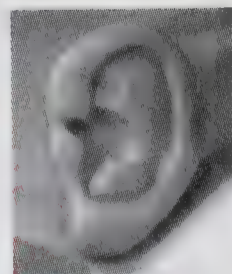
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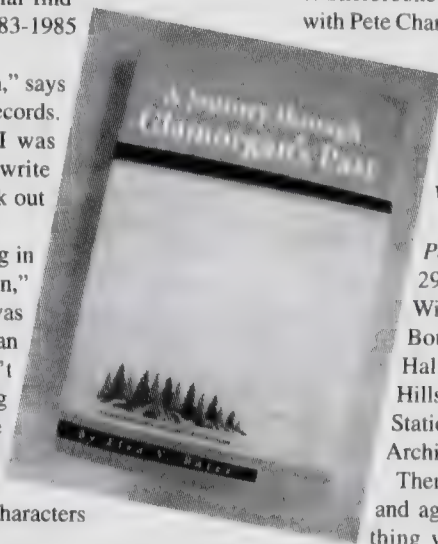
1920. I also went to the National Archives and spent 3 days there researching lumber operations in Bark Lake." In a serendipitous find Elva located a box of old records and interviews in the municipal office, where she used to work. This was a "special find" because they contained interviews from 1983-1985 with people "who are no longer here."

"The late Gordon Bar had a lot of research," says Elva, "and his son gave me access to these records. I also spent time in the registry office. I was supposing that some other person would write the book from my records, but it didn't work out that way."

"I had attended a course in creative writing in 2003 at Sir Sandford Fleming in Haliburton," Elva relates, "and the instructor told me I was obsessed enough to write. I started to write an historic novel with characters that just wouldn't go away. It became apparent that I was writing two books, so I decided to continue to write them both. This first book is the straight history. The second book is a novel called *Destination Gooderham*, where all the main characters eventually all end up here."

A Bit About The Book

But back to the book in question, *A Journey Through Glamorgan's Past*. If you've had your interest peaked even slightly by some of Elva's own history written here, just imagine what wonders lie before you in the book. Just to whet your appetite here are the chapter headings: *In The Beginning, Early Settlement, The Village, Timber Industry And Mining Activities, Municipal Affairs, Organizations And Institutions, and Evolution Of The Community*. The book is chocked full of photos of early buildings and historic characters, families, farms and friends. It's handsomely bound as a soft cover trade sized paperback, slightly bigger than the regular paperback, but still readable in bed. It's a must-have and must-read for anybody even remotely interested in the history of this region. Although she is the author, and compiler of all the research, Elva Bates realizes that she couldn't have written her book without assistance. She would like to thank all those people who helped her along the way, and specifically to her co-publisher, proof reader, and technology teacher, the retired U of T



professor Peter Charters. "We're both new at it," Elva says, "but he laid out all the pages and scanned all 166 pictures in the book, which come from so many places." The book was printed by Intercontinental Printing of Sherbrooke Quebec. Elva Bates is pleased that the decision was made with Pete Charters to self-publish. "When you self-publish you maintain the control of your own book," she says, "and I would be willing to talk to anybody who might want to talk about it." I imagine there will be quite a few people who, inspired by Elva's efforts, might want to talk to her about it.

Where You Can Obtain a Copy

To obtain a copy of *A Journey Through Glamorgan's Past* in Gooderham you can contact Elva Bates (705) 447-2977. She lives at 1037 Pioneer Rd in Gooderham. In Wilberforce the book can be found at the Dream Weavers Boutique; In Haliburton at Undercover Books and at the Haliburton Highlands Museum; in Minden at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre, and in Kinmount at the Model Railway Station. The book can also be obtained at the Trent Valley Archives in Peterborough.

There will be a 'meet the author' and book signing on July 25 and again on August 22 at the Gooderham library. The same thing will be happening at the Dream Weaver Boutique in Wilberforce on August 11th and 12th.

Elva Bates and her book

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Animal Gifts

One of the best parts of living in this county is the amount of wildlife that we are privileged to encounter almost every day. While some people, out of fear, don't see this as an advantage at all, many (I am one) who recognize the particular grace of wild presences revel in the vibrancy of living so close to nature. They were – as the common wisdom goes – here first, after all. And as we come more and more to understand the intricate weaving necessary to the future of planet earth, our eyes open to the mystery of how we depend on one another. All our futures are tied in with one another's; animal, plant, human.

So it enriches the everyday life of routine work and household tasks when we are given the opportunity – and see it as gift – to be in the presence of a wild animal or bird. Over our years of being

The meaning of Turkey's, Bears, Deer, Rabbits and variety of birds you encounter

here, many such encounters send us into a questioning of what gifts these animals are offering us, offering the world. Since this question has already been asked by indigenous peoples everywhere and for many centuries, we ask it too, and consult the accumulated wisdom of response to which we now have access. One such collection of wisdom is the Medicine Cards, (Bear and Company, 1988), a worn-out book never far from our kitchen bookshelf.

In late fall we met six wild turkeys on Little Hawk Lake Rd. and had to stop the car for them. This was unusual enough to send us to the book, and we discovered that Turkey is associated with the practice of "give-away," since every part of a turkey is used to give life. Talking about it, we realized that there was much we needed to give away as well, and meeting these wild turkeys influenced our Christmas practices. The appearance of a grouse is an invitation to enter fully into life, seeing it as a dance, spiraling us through time and space, something we can either move with or resist. The large number of rabbits and hares we are meeting this season caused us to look up their message, which is to face your fears and to stop running from them. Deer – and we have come face-to-face with many – remind us to find a gentleness of spirit and to stop pushing so hard to get others to change; accept them as they are. What a useful reminder! Bears – and we are awed by their number and closeness this spring, watching them come close enough to sniff the back door – are large messengers of the power of introspection. They tell us that the inner cave of your soul is where all answers lie, in that feminine cave of receptivity. Entering the silence you find out how to make your goals concrete realities.

There are many ways we can respond to the presence of such a variety of animals and birds close to our living spaces and ourselves. Seeing them as messengers and receiving their message is one way that we can experience our own physical and spiritual

connection with all living things. We come to know that we are really all in this together, and the loss of even one species diminishes our world and ourselves. But seeing animals and birds more closely, valuing their presences, enriches our human lives beyond what we know.

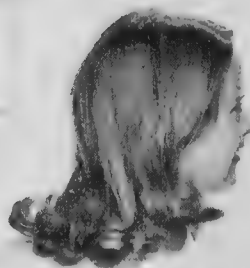
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Health Unit Urges Residents To Use Good Judgment in Wake of Dead Carp Turning up in Area Lakes

Public health officials are asking local residents to heed some advice in the wake of dead carp turning up in some area lakes.

In the past few weeks, a large number of dead carp have been found in Lake Scugog, the Scugog River, Sturgeon Lake, Pigeon Lake and Cameron Lake. Testing is now being conducted by Ontario's Ministry of Natural Resources to determine the cause of what is killing the carp. Test results are still pending at this time, however it appears that carp are the only species of fish affected. Human health and that of other water organisms have not been impacted.

The Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit is advising the following:

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- The Health Unit tests more than 40 public beaches in the City of Kawartha Lakes each week through the summer. The Health Unit's beach testing program measures for fecal coliform, or disease-causing bacteria such as E.coli, that are present in the water.
- If dead fish are visible in the area of a beach, the Health Unit recommends that people do not go into the water to swim.

Owners of Private Water Systems Drawing from Lakes and Rivers

- For individuals that draw water directly from lakes or rivers for drinking and household use, the Health Unit strongly recommends both filtering the water and the use of a disinfection unit (chlorinator or UV light). This is recommended as standard equipment for any surface water source or shoreline well in order to ensure the water is safe to drink.
- Local residents who are on municipal water systems are not affected.

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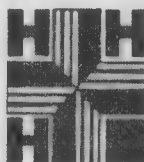
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Walker found that Jepson had threatened to blackmail Blanc, who was from a wealthy family, with proof that she had plagiarized part of her doctoral thesis. She had visited him Saturday morning to discuss the matter, and when he excused himself to change his laundry, she followed him to the laundry room and shot him. She then took the incriminating papers and fled. Later she admitted visiting Jepson's house from fear that she might have been seen in the neighborhood that morning.

Stan Smith has written three books of Stanwick mini-mysteries that have been published in nine languages. He also produces a free Monthly MysteryGram with an original mini-mystery in each issue. To learn more about mini-mysteries, or to subscribe to the Monthly MysteryGram, please visit www.stanwick-mini-mysteries.com.

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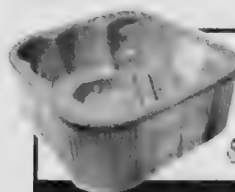
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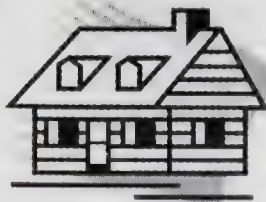
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COTTAGE NEWS

Giant Yard Sale

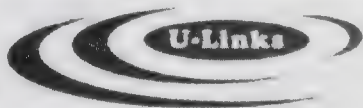
Saturday August 4 – 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

South Lake Association of Cottagers and Residents and the Lochlin Community Centre are holding a giant yard sale on Saturday, August 4th, 2007 from 9am until 2pm at the Lochlin Community Centre at 4713 Gelert Rd (Cty Rd #1). Come set up your own table for \$15.00 to sell your trash and treasures. Contact Jane at 286-6699 or Marlene at 286-3948 to reserve your spot. Hot dogs, coffee and cold drinks will be available.

Family Day and BBQ for All Members - (*Not a Member – come to the AGM and sign up*)

Saturday August 18th

At The Noble Restaurant, Hwy 35, Moore Falls - Saturday August 18th 1 p.m. Fun and games for kids and grown-ups – for everyone. Don't forget to bring your free BBQ tickets which were sent in the Spring Newsletter. Volunteers needed, Students earn school credits and have a fun time too! Contact Doris Borer at 705 454-3728 or e-mail:dbborer@distributed.net Please bring a lawn chair.



Centre for Community-Based Research

U-Links is looking to fill the position of **Program Coordinator**. The successful candidate will work closely with community organizations and businesses in Haliburton County, the Trent Centre for Community-Based Education, and Trent University students to facilitate community-based research.

Experience and Knowledge Required:

- Post-secondary degree
- Experience with: research, program co-ordination, working with committees, working with university students
- Knowledge of: Haliburton County communities, Community Economic Development and Community Development
- Computer competence
- Experience with office coordination

This is a part-time position, minimum of 21 hours/week, with additional hours dependant on funding. Hourly wage range from \$17.00-\$21.00 depending on qualifications and experience.

For more information or to apply please contact:
Heather Reid c/o

U-Links Centre for Community-Based Research

Box 655, Minden, ON K0M 2K0

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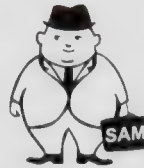
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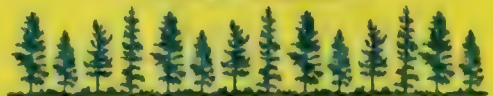
There were 13 sams in the last issue. Teddy Time; Harrison Hot Tub; Newbatt's Appliances and Furniture; Screaming Eagle Paintball; Highland Leisure; C.C. Enterprizes; Remax - Bill Kulas; Golden Stationers; Master's Book Store; Tri-County Distributors; Axis Pharmacy; SS Roofing; and Parkdale Mechanical Services

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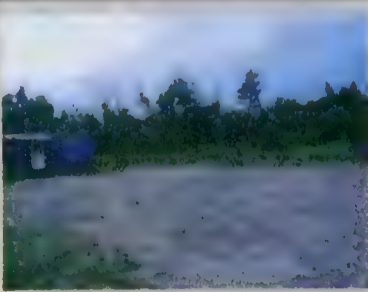
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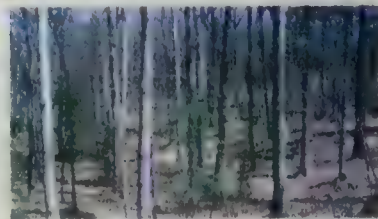
Looking to start up your own business? Here is the perfect HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL LOT! Located on a year round road in the village of West Guilford it has a drilled well and hydro on site. Only 10 minutes to Sir Sams Ski Hill and town of Haliburton. **\$129,900.00**



Year round cottage or home on 2 lake Kennisis chain. Property is everyone's dream, 200 ft ft, fairly level, Private!!! Deep water and sandy bottom shallow entry. Sunsets on large dock. 2 bdms up and 1 down. Lge family room on walk out level, pool table laundry area etc. Lots of wood finishings, cathedral ceilings, cozy well maintained. Definitely one to see. **\$545,000.00**



Building lot on Hunter's Island with a fabulous western exposure. Sunsets! Sunsets! Sunsets! 2 acres and 150 ft of frontage and 5 minutes by boat from the landing. Build your dream hideaway on this very private lot with mature trees. New cottage going in on the lot next door. **\$199,000.00**



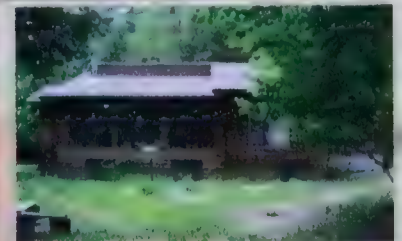
Well treed 2.75 acre building lot in area of new homes and cottages. Near public access to Basshaunt Lake. Close to Sir Sams ski hill. Adjacent 3 acre lot also for sale **\$24,900.00**

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3 bedroom four season cottage on Pelaw Lake. Full basement that could be finished to give you double the space. 2 acre well treed flat lot. 200 ft of sand shore line on this quiet 2 part lake that also flows into the 2 lake Redstone chain. Enjoy the tranquillity of a small lake but have the access to the large lake for major boating experiences. Great for young children. Enjoy summer camp fires and listen to the loons calling. Near The Haliburton Forest and Wildlife. **Asking \$429,000.00**



2.85 acre fairly level lot on Little Redstone part of a 3 lake chain. The underbrush has been cleared making a park like setting. Access is by a privately maintained municipal road allowance off of Kennisis Lake Rd. Driveway had been cleared. The hard work is done, now you can choose your cottage for this tranquil setting. Hydro and telephone nearby. Walkout sand beach to deeper water. Large docking system comes with this rare find. **\$465,000.00**



4 bdrm 4 season cottage on 2 lake Kennisis chain, 146 ft ft. Only one word to describe the view from the all glass LR/DR/kitchen windows - Wow! Carpet and wood floors, natural stone fireplace, totally open concept with 3 W/O One off the master bdrm. Massive stones form the waterfront and path to cottage. Water entry on flat granite to excellent swimming. Lot next door available for \$249,900.00 MLS# 462406100000300. Package sale would give you 261 ft frontage. **\$649,900.00**
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2 bedroom home in Hunter Creek Estates (adult living community) on one of the largest lots in the park. Some features include 4pc bath, 2pc bath, Florida room, new deck off living room, work shop off back of garage and a storage shed. This home has all new windows, door, plumbing, faucets flooring, rubber roof, 100 amp panel and the best if the hydro goes out a 30,000 BTU propane Napoleon fireplace. Vendor take back possible **\$79,900.00**

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Denna Lake - \$259,000

Three bedroom cottage on Denna Lake with 100 frontage - well treed for privacy - level at shoreline - eastern exposure

Al Mayo



Canning Lake - \$359,000

Canning Lake, spacious & open 3 bedroom cottage, 150 feet waterfront on Canning Lake, good docks, almost level lot.

Al Mayo



New Listing Horseshoe Lake - \$379,000

Excellent family cottage with easy access off township road. Level, mostly treed lot, sand beach. Cottage is well maintained with hardwood floors in living room, dining room and sunroom. Great location with short distance to town. Enjoy boating on a two lake chain.

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Barry Warren



Beech River - \$369,000

Minutes away by boat to Boshkung Lake from this three bedroom back split on Beech River. Well treed level lot, beautiful stone fireplace. Wide part of river for great swimming.

Barry Warren



Beech River - \$359,000

Boat to Boshkung Lake from your own dock on Beech River. This beautiful home features a walkout basement, finished rec room, screened in porch, double garage. Shows pride of ownership. IS

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Little Hawk Lake - \$225,000

Majestic views from this two bedroom cottage plus bunkie - wet slip boathouse - great dock - backs onto crown land and short boat ride from marina - unique and rare property on Little Hawk lake. BEING SOLD UNDER POWER OF SALE 'AS

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Gloria or Cindy



Kennis Lake - \$329,000

Warm and cozy feeling in this 3 bedroom 3 season cottage nestled on the shore of Kennis Lake. South exp / 2 islands to swim to. 110 ft fr, granite shore / small sand pocket. Wood floors, cathedral ceiling, bright open concept.

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Highway Commercial - \$129,900

Looking to start up your own business? Here is the perfect HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL LOT! Located on a year round road in the village of West Guilford it has a drilled well and hydro on site. Only 10 minutes to Sir Sams Ski Hill and town of Haliburton.

Gloria or Cindy



Head Lake - \$329,000

Head Lake (Norland) open concept 4 season, 3 bedroom cottage, heated waterline, 2 garages, level lot and awesome sunsets across Beautiful Head Lake. Close to GTA.. more pictures at www.haliburton-realestate.com.

David Lee



5 Bedroom Home - \$799,000

Very private, 3,500 sq ft 5 bed. home/ cottage on a large lake near Minden, 295 feet waterfront with amazing sunsets. Must be seen.

David Lee



5 Acres on Waterfront - \$264,000

Imagine an 80 acre lake surround by 3,000 acres of crown land, and it comes with a 1,500 sq. ft 2 bed cottage/home for only \$264,000. that is on 5 acres with over 200 feet of lakefront. This is one of two properties on this lake

David Lee



Minden Home - \$190,000

Minden Home 3 bedroom, to many upgrades to mention, paved drive, garage with workshop, fenced back yard, backup generator with auto start.

David Lee



Waterfront Building Lot - \$129,000

Large, private lot with over 200 feet of waterfront on crystal clear Kennis River. Super kayaking, canoeing, swimming and a short boat ride to prestigious Halls Lake. This lot also boasts fabulous tubing into Halls Lake.

Lindsay Elder



Just Reduced: 12 Mile Lake - \$399,900

Super level lot with cozy three bedroom cottage close to the water. Great 3-lake boating as well as a boathouse that could be converted into a lakeside buniie. This turn-key, private cottage boasts fabulous rental potential and the shoreline road allowance is owned. This is a must see.

Lindsay Elder



New Listing: Minden - \$99,900

Charming 2 bedroom starter/retirement home or use as a getaway! Western exposure, view of Boshkung Lake and close to snowmobile, ski, hiking, ATV and water trails. Beautifully landscaped private back yard. Don't miss this one!

Lindsay Elder



Denna Lake - Only \$259,000

Great view of lake! Living room and dining area- 3BR's, large deck. Priced to sell!

Grace Lougheed



Close to Haliburton - \$298,500

Custom 4 bdrm log home overlooking crown land. Home features insulated garage, newer custom pine kitchen w/ antique cook stove on granite hearth, main floor laundry, screen porch, huge master bdrm w/ ensuite/jacuzzi tub, front covered veranda, wired for backup generator (incl).

Anthony, Marcia or Chris



Commercial Hwy 35 - \$279,000

Prime busy Hwy 35 location. Level lot with excellent exposure and ample parking. 2400 sq ft heated/insulated shop w/ 330 ft office area, 14ft ceilings, double entry & washrms, + self contained overhead 1064 sq ft 2 bdrm modern apt (\$700/month). Also features a detached 950 sq ft 2 bdrm home (\$650/month). Great revenue investment property or for personal business/residence.

Anthony, Chris or Marcia



Maple Lake - \$999,999

Almost 10 acres Stunning view, rippled sand shoreline. Main house/cottage is 5640 sq ft with 4 bedrms, renovated stainless steel kitchen, hardwood floors, oak bar, stone fireplace, games room and foyer. Renovated 2400 sq ft coach house with 7 units-3 w/fireplaces, plus 4 detached cabins w/fireplaces. Large solid barn ideal for storage, sauna/hot tub building.

Anthony, Chris, Marcia



Denna Lake - \$329,000

DENNA GREAT COTTAGE, 145 feet of sandy shoreline, with a level lot, great swimming and boating. Cottage features, knotty pine walls and floors, 3 bedrooms, 4pc bath. Quiet lake with shoreline owned.

Grace Loughheed



Lakefront Home - \$675,000

Private, yr-rnd waterfront estate on over 3 acres. 125 ft of water frontage on a quiet bay. Brick built home w/ 4,700 sq ft lvg sp., 4 bedrms, 3 1/2 baths, 2 beamed living rooms, 2 offices/studios (1 has a washroom, storage & separate entrance). Dble storey barn w/ huge workshop & masses of storage.

Patti & Hal Johnson



Great Starter on 3-Lake Chain \$159,000

Cozy 1 bdr. cottage with hydro & drilled well. Level lot with southeast exposure & bunkie/shed. Rippled sand & great swimming just across the road.

Patti & Hal Johnson



Horseshoe Lake - \$459,000

Lovely year round solidly built Viceroy style lakefront home with nice big windows looking out over the lake. South facing level lot with 3+1 bedrooms & 2 baths. Screened in porch on main floor & fireplace in recroom. Walkout from fully finished basement to stone patio.

Patti & Hal Johnson



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Have the best of both worlds, the privacy of country living, yet close to all of the amenities of Haliburton. Lovely Royal Home with approx. 2200 sq ft lvg sp., 3+1 brms., 2 bath, formal diningroom (with walkout), main floor laundry on 1/4 acre partially treed lot. Finished recroom with wood stove & fireplace in livingroom. Enjoy living in cottage country with over 600 lakes in the County.

Patti & Hal Johnson



Kushog Lake - \$680,000

Quality is the word to best describe this 4 bedroom bungalow with lower level walk-out. Glass doors from living room to large deck overlooking water. Fabulous sand shore and deeper water off dock. Also includes a 1560 sq ft workshop/garage and a self contained two bedroom apartment.

Tom Gardner



Brady Lake - \$289,000

Spacious 3 Bedroom "Viceroy Style" cottage. Cathedral cedar ceiling in open concept living, dining room/kitchen. Dead level lot with child safe sand beach. Large deck with great views across lake to forested shore. Easy year round access.

Tom Gardner



Business w/ Acreage - \$489,000

Hwy 35 & 118. 23 acres on commercial land with thriving Driving Range, Mini Golf, Batting Cages, 9 hole Chip & Putt of 15 years. Great potential for re-development for any commercial establishment including banks, bed and breakfast, boat sales, furniture sales, garden supply centre, hotels, motels, Laundromats, restaurants, retail stores etc.

Tom Gardner



Davis Lake - \$424,900

Large family cottage with many upgrades and luxury features. New custom kitchen, new windows and doors, all new decking, easy year round access on popular Davis Lake. Gradual sloping lot with sand shore.

Tom Gardner



Mountain Lake - \$559,000

3 plus 1 bedroom cottage/home is on a level lot with fabulous sand beach. Cathedral ceiling in living room, dining room and kitchen, lake views from living room w/ patio doors to spacious deck. Walkout from basement to lower patio area, brick fireplace, airtight woodstove, central vacuum, drilled

Vince Jarvis



Halls Lake - \$549,000

3+1 BR waterfront home/cottage. Open concept living. Huge master BR, main floor laundry, walk-out basement. Also has 2 BR bunkie for guests.

Vince Jarvis



Tri-plex in Minden - \$119,000

Three separate apartments that are fully rented. Consists of 1-3 bdrm; 1-2 bdrm; and 1-1 bdrm apartment. Owner could live in one and rent other two to pay mortgage.

Vince Jarvis



Kushog Lake - \$349,000

Two bedroom cottage. Natural rugged lot with excellent privacy! Comes with garage and large storage building. Also has bunkie at water's edge. Cottage has newer deck, sliding door and carpet.

Vince Jarvis



Hwy 117 East - \$329,000

Muskoka Charming! Built in '99, this very comfortable 2 bedroom, year round home/cottage features licenced access to 200' frontage, deep-water deck and dock on beautiful Grandview Lake, plus a very comfy, heated bunkie on a 2-acre landscaped nicely treed lot. Located between Baysville & Dorset.

Ross Jarvis



Business Opportunity - \$399,000

Set up your own business in the Kawartha's 1900 ft. frontage on busy Hwy 121, + 25 acres near Kinnmount. Zoned comm & res. Features 7 out-buildings, and an Apt. for live-in help; plus a 4 BR home for the live-in owner. Or rent them both to defray costs. Vendor will hold mortgage with suitable offer.

Ross Jarvis



One of a Kind Home \$299,000

Unique custom finished three bedroom home with dining room, main floor familyroom, guest room, chef's kitchen, office/den, 3 sided propane fireplace, built in cupboards, shelves, beds, window seats and lovely gardens for privacy within walking distance of the Gull River in Minden.

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Lots and Land

\$9,500 Twist Lane near Salerno Lake

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\$17,900 Morning Glory near Contau Lake

\$19,900 Haliburton Lake Road near Eagle Lake

\$19,900 Turntable Drive near Kinnmount

\$39,900 Lyons Street double lot in Minden

Luba Cargill



Miskwabi Lake - \$179,900

Double lot w/ Miskwabi Lake access on the lot beside. Hard sand beach frontage w/ dock for boat. 3 bdrm bungalow w/ full walkout basement, full septic & drilled well (216' deep, 30' from top 10 gpm). Boat Miskwabi and Long Lake for the stunning scenery and fishing. Enjoy all the pleasures of waterfront property with year round access without the waterfront taxes 1/14 interest of lot #159 for each lot.

Chris & Michelle



97 Acres - \$439,900

Century home on a 97 acre country setting with a commercial lot and building. A great spot for a horse hobby farm or start an organic operation. Acreage includes some cleared areas, a pond, and trails throughout this treed property that connects to the O.F.S.C. Railway Trail. Large home, barn, garage & commercial building to live and work from the comfort of your own home.

Chris & Michelle



Commercial with Land - \$299,900

Well maintained charming custom home on a private 25 acre property with 2 ponds. Work where you live. Incl industrial shop & hwy frontage, commercial buildings & parking. A gravel pit and 2 ponds. Open concept home with kitchen, dining rm combo with a breakfast bar, stone fireplace, hardwood floors, jacuzzi bath, large front porch & rear screened porch viewing the pond.

Chris & Michelle



Kennisis - \$289,000

Custom home on a private 3+-acre 460-river front setting. Good swimming and fishing by your dock and boat to Halls Lake. Built-in appliances, Jacuzzi tub, wet sauna, propane fireplace, screened deck, hardwood and ceramic floors, large cold room for your preserves and wine, central vac and more. Wired generator, a double heated workshop/garage, a new wood furnace with insulated ductwork and water heater coils are a bonus.

Chris & Michelle



Convenience and Affordability \$139,000

Four bedroom, 2 bath 900 sq ft cottage and an undivided share in 10 acre resort with sand beach, dock, pool and playground. Annual maintenance/co-op fee of \$1,500. Includes grounds upkeep, liability insurance and property taxes. Only 5 minutes from Minden.

Luba Cargill



Kushog Lake - \$449,000

Lovely maple trees provide a park like setting for this 3 bedroom Viceroy style cottage. Ideal for family with level lot and shallow sandy water entry. Open concept living room and kitchen, vaulted ceiling finished in pine, window corner breakfast nook, deck, easy year round access. Email lubac@royalpage.ca or call for details.

Luba Cargill



25 acres and Cabin \$120,000

Rustic cabin and bunkie with room to room on 25 acres of rolling treed wilderness with 700 feet frontage on year round municipal road only 4km to town.

Luba Cargill



Two Cottages on Pine Point \$650,000

Privacy, peace and quiet on 320 feet of south facing lakefront w/ 2 acres of level treed natural Canadian Shield wilderness at the end of the road w/ two cottages- a 3 bdrm winterized cottage finished in pine with 8 foot stone fireplace and one bedroom rustic cabin. Waterfront includes shallow rock shelf for wading and deep water entry with spectacular rock ledge shoreline on a point abutting Crown Land.

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Grace River - \$399,900

Prime gentle sloping meticulously manicured and landscaped yard on 2 lake chain. Easy year round access, ample parking, detached 1.5 garage and shed. Spectacular bright & spacious custom built 4 bedrooms, 3 washroom home offers 3,900 sq ft.

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Kushog Lake - \$389,900

Clean shallow shoreline - approx 150 ft frontage. Neat & clean 3 bdrm 1.5 washroom 1350 sq ft home/cottage with numerous upgrades - main floor laundry, woodstove, picture windows and sliding glass doors overlooking lake & access to decking, master bedroom ensuite, double detached garage, plus loads more.

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Esson Lake - \$599,900

Custom 2170 sq ft True North Log home. Granite countertops, Birch hardwood floors, Douglas Fir Beams, Pine Logs, doors & trim, 3 washrooms, main flr laundry, master bdrm ensuite w/ jacuzzi tub, loft area w/ custom stair case, radiant 2 level flr heating, living rm cathedral ceiling. Over 2000 sq. ft. of Britic Composite decking (featured in Home Depot magazine, \$20K Easy Dock System, professional limestone landscaping, plus loads more. 150 feet frontage on Esson Lake.

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Drag Lake - \$449,900

Totally renovated 1570 sq ft. open concept 4 bdrm, 2 bath, home/cottage on level lot on Drag Lake. Private gated driveway, clean sand shore. Extensive lakeside decking, maple hardwood floors, pine trim and doors throughout, pine kitchen, dining room walkout to deck, living room wood airtight on stone hearth and pine 4-season sunroom. Finished recreation & laundry rooms, high efficiency propane furnace, drilled well and eco-flow septic.

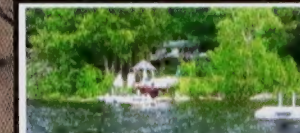
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Glamor Lake - \$249,900

Prime waterfront private level lot on Glamor Lake with 105 ft frontage of nice sand shoreline with expansive view and year round access. Neat and clean 3 bedroom cottage makes for an ideal get away, shed for storage. Beautiful setting on a very nice lake! Show and sell!

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Little Kennisis - \$398,900

Point lot with 160 ft frontage of natural shoreline with 2 small sand coves and expansive southwest exposure. One of only 2 lots on entire lake that developer Percy Watts retained for personal ownership. Original family improved 1040 sq. ft. cottage features recent upgrades to kitchen and washroom. Insulated guest bunkie, 2 storage sheds, extensive lakeside decking/docking plus loads more!

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Big Boshkung - \$669,900

A rare find! Well maintained year round waterfront home or cottage on prime gentle slope point lot w/ smooth rock into lake and sand beach area. Insulated heated garage, metal roof. Very private setting w/ southern exposure & wide lake view. Major three-lake chain & miles of boating.

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Fox Lake - \$179,900

20 acres and 660 feet frontage on Fox Lake. Ultimate privacy with abundant wildlife. Small quiet pristine lake with only five properties on it. Abuts crown land to west, 1 KM off paved road. 1990 constructed 1400 sq ft cottage loaded in pine with cedar decking. Features: eat in pine kitchen, sitting room plus living room w/ woodstove, master bdrm plus loft area. Totally off the grid and green friendly.

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Home +2 car garage +workshop+barn - \$209,900

Private level 1.29 ac off main rd w/in walking distance to Kushog Lake. Open concept 1164 sq ft 3 bdrm with eat in kitchen, foyer w/ main flr laundry, sunroom, wood & propane airtights, all appliances, drilled well & full septic. Includes double-detached garage, 34 x 32 insulated/heated workshop, currently equipped as a machine & fabricating shop w/200 amp service (can purchase equipment separately) 18 x 18 barn w/loft, (heated guest quarters), and wood shed!!

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Farquhar Lake - \$319,900

450 ft frontage and 66 acres on Farquhar Lake. Expansive sunset view-clean shoreline-rare opportunity-older basic 1036 sq ft, 4 bedroom cottage on point is ideal for short term use or future building foot print. Under managed Forest Program until 2019. Contact L.A. for details-adjacent 116 acres with 200 ft frontage also currently available for \$249,000!

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Long Lake - \$219,900

4 season home/cottage on Long Lake (2 lake chain). Easy year round municipal access-circular driveway- nice setting. 1100 sq ft 3 bdrm. home with large open living, dining and kitchen areas. Lakeside decking and docking. Drilled 'artesian' well, full septic plus loads more!

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Vacant Lots

Stormy Lk - 100 ft., south west exposure \$159,900

White Lk - 650 ft & 2.4 acres \$159,000

Loon Lk - 98 ft with cabin & septic on site \$129,900

Loon Lk - 800 ft & 54 acres \$299,900

Birch Bark Lk - 215 ft 1.08 acres \$129,000

Barrys Line 16 acres \$34,900

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